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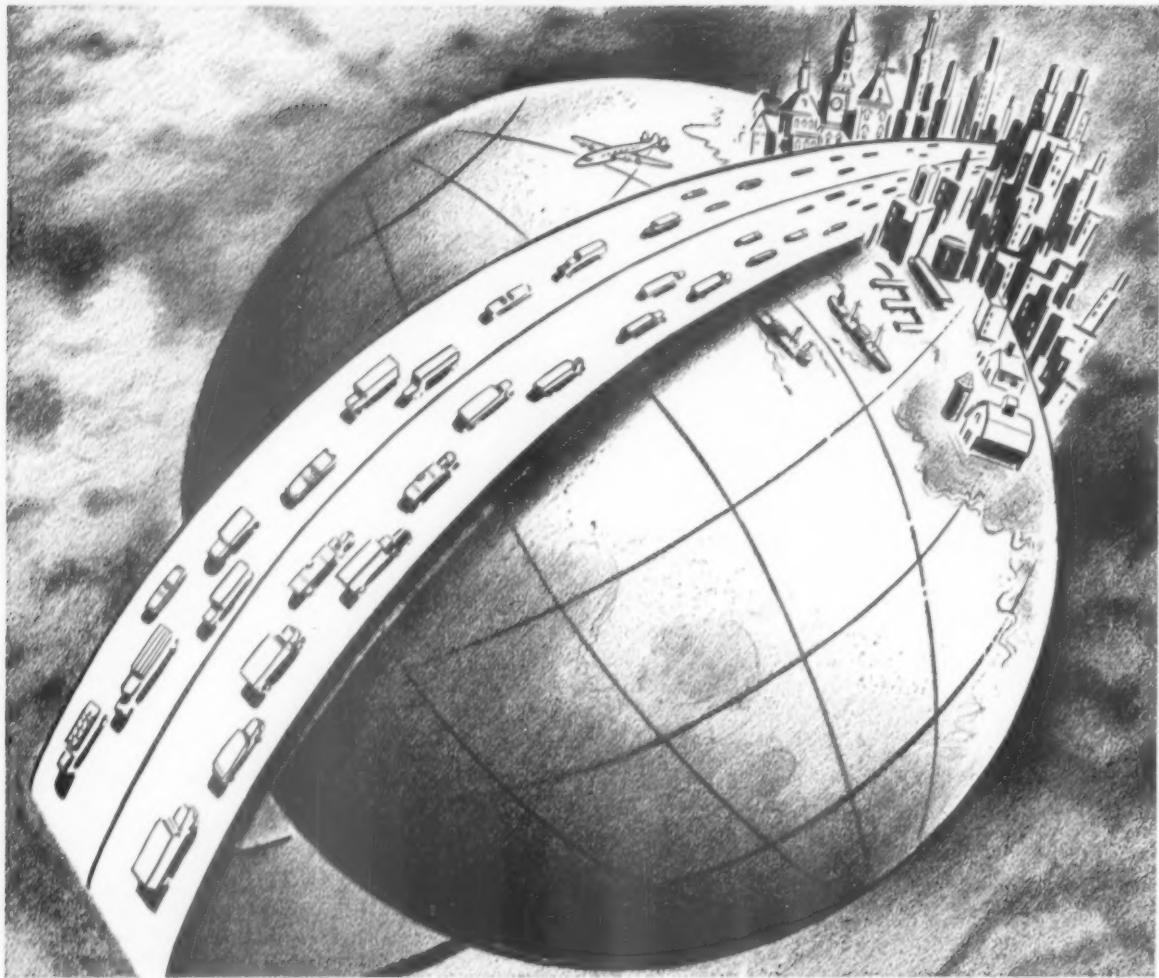
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For food and farm products alone, Switzerland spends about \$68,000,000 a year in America.

So no matter how you earn your living—office work, farm work, teach, own a business, or take care of your home and family—you travel the two-way street of international trade.

Recently, this street has been narrowed, instead of widened. Tariff has

gone up 50% on jeweled-lever Swiss watches and movements, and other serious restrictions on trade with the watchmakers of Switzerland are pending.

This means fewer watches will be sold in the U.S.A., fewer American exports to Switzerland.

To the best of our knowledge, history has no record of two-way traffic being successfully conducted on a one-way street.

The past has shown it takes two-way trade to insure the security of our people, the expansion of our economics.

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THE WATCHMAKERS OF SWITZERLAND

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1955

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If Income Was All From Wages, Salaries, Etc., Pages 1 and 2 Only. If Such Income Was Less Than \$5,000, You May Need to Use Page 1 Only. See Page 3 of the Instructions.

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Handicapped at end of taxable year	<input type="checkbox"/> Yourself	<input type="checkbox"/> Wife
 2. List names of your children who qualify as dependents; give address if different from yours.
 3. Enter number of exemptions claimed for other persons listed at top of page 2.
 4. Enter the total number of exemptions claimed in lines 1, 2, and 3.
 5. Enter all wages, salaries, bonuses, commissions, and other compensation received in 1955, before payroll deductions. Outside salesmen and persons claiming traveling, transportation, or reimbursed expenses, see instructions, page 5.
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6. Less: Excludable "Sick Pay" (line 5. (See instructions, page 5. Attach required explanation.)
7. Balance (line 5 less line 6).
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Your LETTERS

'Take a Look at Ourselves'

Says S. K. EMERY, Rotarian
Telephone-Company Office Manager
North Hollywood, California

The article *A Businessman Looks at Education*, by Howard Henderson [THE ROTARIAN for August], was, in my humble opinion, outstanding. Those of us who are in business can certainly pause and take an objective look at ourselves and our methods in the light of Mr. Henderson's article.

A View on Public Relations

From ERWIN FUNK, Rotarian
Newspaperman
Rogers, Arkansas

As a newspaperman with some experience and a lifelong interest in public relations, I thought John LaCerda's article, *Public Relations* [THE ROTARIAN for August], was really tops.

Six Ways to Improve Your Club's Public Relations, by Harvey C. Jacobs, was far from helpful for a Club's new or inexperienced public-relations man. Mr. Jacobs' ideal Rotary publicity man would quickly be tagged by every newspaperman as a "space grabber," who would usurp the editor's chair.

Not every Rotary project is worthy of publicity. With your city full of civic organizations, and most of their members worthy citizens, why try to sell the editor on the idea that all Rotarians are "doers"? He knows most of them as well as or better than you do.

If your Rotary Club does something worth while, the editor will give you the publicity he thinks it merits. If a member earns honors because of special service to his trade or profession, or to the State or community, give him full credit as a man and not primarily as a Rotarian. That is really incidental.

Too much publicity about Club events can be more fatal than too little. Publicity should be earned by real Club service to the community if it is to be helpful to Rotary. It is not something to be begged or demanded because it is Rotary.

When you think about Rotary's public relations, always stop and take a clear look at it from the public and editorial side of the fence.

Editorials the 'Spine' of Paper

Says ARTHUR E. BALL, Rotarian
Publisher, Little Falls Herald
Little Falls, New Jersey

In his letter of comment on the *Abolish the Editorial Page!* symposium in THE ROTARIAN for June, David H. Hepburn [Your Letters for August] seems to think that an editorial page is not a feature in a newspaper. We do not know what business he is in, but we suspect he reads a news magazine, which

gives him the news and the facts behind the news. We use our editorial page to acquaint our readers with the facts they do not get in a straight news story. We know it is read and appreciated by our readers because of the many comments we receive every week on the subject under discussion. (We would say that a newspaper without an editorial page is like a body without a spine.)

Incidentally, the *Herald* won first prize for its editorials in competition with all the newspapers in its class in the State of New Jersey.

A Theme for Rotarians

Suggested by SOL S. WOLF, Rotarian
Druggist
Garden City, Michigan

Being a Rotarian who has a 15-year perfect-attendance record and who has served as Club President and Chairman of the Rotary Information, Magazine, and Public Information Committees, I have tried to impress our Club members with all the tenets of Rotary. I have just finished reading President Gian Paolo Lang's article in THE ROTARIAN for July, *The Importance of Understanding*, and I agree with him 100 percent that his thought for the 1956-57 Rotary year that "... rather than emphasizing the importance of increasing the number of Rotarians as we have in recent years, I might now stress the absolute necessity of increasing and deepening the knowledge of Rotary in all Rotarians."

Therefore I suggest we all pay special heed to our President's second target and work for "More Rotary in Rotarians."

'Rotary Really That Simple'

Says ROBERT BRONELL, Gov. Service
Secretary, Rotary Club
Filipstad, Sweden

President Gian Paolo Lang's statement that "Rotary is basically a simple thing" [The *Importance of Understanding*, THE ROTARIAN for July] certainly serves to illuminate his "targets" for 1956-57.

I'm not presenting a new thought when I remind my fellow Rotarians that we often hear the comment "But Rotary performs so little." Another may say: "What has Rotary really done?"

In these complex times the demand is that we march in a body, that our striking power be known. Nowadays there must be manifestations, resolutions, and mastery of the collectiveness —no matter if it is backed up by a majority or a minority. The group, the mass—that's the tune of the time.

And when this tune is sounding, we march along as ranks and files, in many different groups and columns. But, as you know, the [Continued on page 51]

THIS ROTARY MONTH

NEWS FROM 1600 RIDGE AVENUE, EVANSTON, ILLINOIS, U.S.A.

PRESIDENT. On October 1 Rotary's President, Gian Paolo Lang, was to be in Zurich, Switzerland, his stay there spanning September's closing days and October's early ones for attendance at two international Rotary meetings (see below). In mid-October the President and his wife, Valentina, will start a two-month Rotary journey to the Far East, with scheduled stops in Lebanon, Pakistan, India, Singapore, Indonesia, Australia, Ceylon, Iran, and Iraq. On this all-air trip the President will attend the Pacific Regional Conference in Sydney, Australia, November 12-15.

PRESIDENTIAL HONOR. Earlier travels took the President to Panama for attendance at a Rotary Information Counsellors Institute. A high Panamanian honor was conferred upon him there: the Vasco Nunez de Balboa decoration in the grade of Chevalier. It was conferred by Panama's Minister of Foreign Affairs on behalf of the President of the Republic of Panama.

1957 CONVENTION. In Switzerland, host nation to Rotary's 48th Annual Convention in Lucerne next May 19-23, some 30 communities near the Lake of Lucerne and Zurich will offer comfortable accommodations for the thousands of Rotarians and their families who will attend. For a glimpse of the natural beauty of this region, the ways of its friendly people, and some of their ancient institutions, see the 13-page Swiss folio in this issue.

MEETINGS. Rotary Information Counsellors

Institute for Central European,	
North African, and Eastern Medi-	
iterranean Region.....	September 26-28....Zurich, Switzerland
Europe, North African, and	
Eastern Mediterranean Advisory	
Committee.....	October 3-5.....Zurich, Switzerland
Finance Committee.....	Octotter 22-23.....Evanston, Ill.
Executive Committee of the Board	
of Directors.....	October 29-30.....Evanston, Ill.

ROTARY FELLOWS. In this the ninth year of the Rotary Foundation Fellowships program, 122 students (see pages 28-31) will pursue graduate studies as Rotary Fellows for 1956-57. These 90 men and 32 women bring the total number of Fellowships granted since 1947 to 827. October starts many of these new Fellows on their border-crossing journeys to reach the universities they will attend.

NEW POSTCARDS. Now on colored postcards of two sizes are views of the Rotary headquarters building in Evanston, Ill. The small-sized card pictures the front of the building; the larger card is of four sections, depicting interior views of the headquarters. These are available from the Central Office: small size, 2 cents each, \$1.75 a hundred; large size, 5 cents each.

A "WEEK." Set for October is "World Fellowship Week" in Rotary (see page 32), during which Rotary Clubs will conduct special programs to help members learn more about Rotarians of other lands.

VITAL STATISTICS. On August 24 there were 9,183 Rotary Clubs and an estimated 434,000 Rotarians in 99 countries. New Clubs since July 1, 1956, totalled 44.

The Object of Rotary:

To encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and in particular to encourage and foster:

(1) The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service.
(2) High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying by each Rotarian of his occupation as an opportunity to serve society.

(3) The application of the ideal of service by every Rotarian to his personal, business, and community life.

(4) The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional men united in the ideal of service.



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The Editors' WORKSHOP

WE ARE indebted, as we are every month, to lots of people for the substance of this issue. Our lowest bows, however, go to R. A. Langford and Ralph Creasman. Mr. Langford was about to set off on a family holiday in Spain when he received our invitation to write about Switzerland. Such, however, is his love of the land he settled in 28 years ago and such was his interest in telling you about it that he said he'd write the article anyway, and down there under Iberian skies. This he did. And this he did with a skill and a touch we haven't seen topped in any article of these dimensions on this subject. . . . Ralph Creasman is a young Chicago artist who has often helped us add tasteful visual interest to these pages. In July and August Ralph toured and fell in love with Europe and particularly with Switzerland. Within an hour of his return to his home town we had him at work on the big map of Switzerland and two days later he delivered it to us complete. Not because he chooses to work fast, but because he had to: we'd given him an impossible deadline given us by circumstance. Many of the miniature illustrations are from Ralph's sketchbook; some are from his memory. Gentlemen, thank you both.

YES, there's a heavy emphasis on Switzerland in this issue . . . but it is only the beginning. All sorts of features on the land—and on the Convention it will entertain next May—will brighten future issues. We don't pretend to have supplied the details in these particular pages—though our advertisers make an exciting start. There's plenty of time to talk about tours, hotels, what to wear, and how to act in customs . . . but meanwhile there are sources that stand ready to talk about these things now. There are, again, our advertisers. There is the North American Transportation Committee of Rotary International at 649 Fifth Avenue, New York 22, New York. There is the Swiss National Travel Office at 10 West 49th Street, New York 20, New York, and at 661 Market Street, San Francisco 5, California. There is Rotary International, 1600 Ridge Avenue, Evanston, Illinois. And there is your own Club Secretary, who has all the forms needed to get you started toward a holiday, centered on Rotary's 48th annual world meeting, in Europe.

ONLY a month or so away is the Pacific Regional Conference of Rotary International in Sydney, Australia. The dates,

you remember, are November 12-15 . . . and everybody in Rotary is invited, though a special invitation went to all Rotary Clubs in lands lapped by Pacific waters. Long ago we assigned a skilled Sydney photographer to the job of getting some photos of the meeting—and you will find them in the first possible issue after they are in hand. Better, of course, to go and see for yourself. Be assured that you will be warmly hosted by some zesty, energetic, cultured people who have a huge rich land to develop and who are finding Rotary one of their keenest developmental tools.

SMALL-WORLD DEPT. We were talking with a neighbor the other night about the coming International Geophysical Year interestingly heralded by Joseph Kaplan in our June issue . . . and made some mention of the earth satellite that is to be launched during the observance. "Yeh," he commented. "I made some of the small shafts for it." Just as matter-of-factly as that.

Our Cover



A LITTLE glimpse of Lucerne is what our cover affords. It shows you one of the lake boats—we don't know whether this is the *Unterwalden* or the *Uri*—which take you on a cruise around Lake Lucerne, an excursion of some four hours. Incidentally, there are a dozen half-day excursions you can make from the city of Lucerne that start out by boat, shift to funicular railway or aerial cableway or cogwheel railway or some other form of transport . . . the better to see the Alpine beauty of Central Switzerland. . . . A distinguished Swiss color photographer named Franz Schneider took the picture on Kodachrome in the Summer of 1953. It was supplied to us gratis by Calendaria Ltd., of Immensee, in Canton Schwyz, a firm of printers and calendar makers. We are grateful. . . . The reason for Lucerne on the cover is hardly hard to find.—Eds.

ABOUT OUR CONTRIBUTORS

From Congressional Library messenger to lawyer to director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is the path J. EDGAR HOOVER has taken to world fame as a crime buster. This "G-man" idol of young America has helped to deglamorize the gangster, win esteem for law and order, and widen the use of the laboratory in crime investigation. He's a bachelor, likes sports, and collects Chinese antiques at auctions.

BURGES JOHNSON, writer, editor, lecturer, and poet, taught for more than 30 years at Vassar, Syracuse University, and Union College. He began his career as a New York newspaperman, and later edited *Judge* magazine. He now lives in Vermont and writes magazine articles and books.

O. D. A. OBERG, known on all the "Rotary continents" as "OLIE," just finished being Rotary's First Vice-President on June 30. Now he's squaring things away for Rotary's Pacific Regional Conference (see opposite page) in his home town of Sydney. He is Conference Committee Chairman. Wide travels in Pacific lands—including Japan in 1953—give this tall timberman background for his big job of next month.

ROTARIAN PAUL R. CUTRIGHT is chairman of the biology department of Beaver College in Jenkintown, Pa. He holds degrees from West Virginia University and Pittsburgh University, and is the author of two books, the most recent being *Theodore Roosevelt the Naturalist* (Harper Bros.). . . . PETER FARB is an American free-lance writer. . . . HARVEY C. JACOBS and ROBERT A. PLACEK are members of the Rotary International staff, the former as head of the Program Department, the latter as Assistant Editor of this Magazine.



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An Article of Faith

'No conscious effort toward betterment is ever lost. It is held in the lap of time.'

By R. C. WALLACE*

ONE is fortunate if memory recalls a few teachers—even one or two—who have been something more than mere pedagogues. For me two stand out: the headmaster of my county school in the Orkney islands, and the professor in Edinburgh under whose guidance I chose geology. The former was a remarkable man, almost self-taught, but with an expertness in botany, in meteorology, in archaeology, in fossil fish studies—which proved a constant source of inspiration in school days and long thereafter. The latter, a master in his field of glacial geology, maintained a lively interest in his students long after they had left the academic halls. I recall a letter from him in reply to one in which I had announced an important family event. "Wallace," he wrote, "you may reach your heart's ambition; but the real joy in life comes at your own fireside with wife and weans."

There are others that come to mind. As the years go past, one becomes more deeply impressed with the great reservoir of goodwill and kindness which exists in human nature. Generosity is a much greater force than selfishness, or envy, or jealousy. There are so many occasions when the friendliness of others has lightened the load, whether of worry or of sorrow. Everything that has come in the way of appointment or recognition or honors has come unsought and unexpected. That could only have been possible if at every stage there were those who without my knowledge went out of their way to speak of me. They were actuated simply by kindness.

The doctrine of the essential wickedness of human nature has

no place either in my philosophy or in my experience. The good is much greater than the evil, and, in all but a relatively few cases, prevails and gives life its character. It may be argued that this is a one-sided view of life, gained from a knowledge exclusively of those who frequent the halls of universities. They are a select group, of higher mental capacity and better moral standards than the average man or woman—but I have lived and worked among the pioneers in our northern frontiers where there are many who do not measure up to the conventional standards of morality. Yet there is a straightforwardness, a sincerity, and a great kindness among them which make it a rare privilege to have known these northern people.

I have a firm conviction, which is to me an article of faith, that no conscious effort toward betterment, whether individual or collective, is ever lost. It is held in the lap of time.

Education is important. It is still more important that we find a consistent and satisfying explanation of the meaning of the universe, and of our purpose and ultimate destiny as human beings. As a scientist, I have not been able to convince myself that the marvellous articulation and adaption both of living things and of inanimate Nature can have

* A distinguished and widely beloved Canadian educator, Robert Charles Wallace died at age 74 in January, 1955, leaving throngs of friends in the University of Manitoba, where he had taught geology; in the University of Alberta, of which he had been president; in Queen's University at Kingston, Ontario, of which he had been vice-chancellor and principal from 1936 to 1951; in the Orkney islands, where he was born, and in the Rotary Club of Kingston, in which he had long held membership. During his final illness he set down "some random thoughts" which he called *As I Look Back*, and these were published in the *Queen's Quarterly*. This is an excerpt from them.

come itself or through the purely impersonal workings of evolutionary laws alone. I feel that there is a mind beyond the visible processes, a fountainhead of all the love and beauty and goodness and truth which we as human beings so imperfectly reflect.

No one who truly loves Nature can be satisfied that this life is all. For in the contemplation of the sunset or the storm, the minerals in the rock or the brilliance of the butterfly, the mind is caught up into a relationship that is beyond the world of passing things. We reach out into the eternal.

This groping toward a power beyond the things of sense may be too vague to put into the form of a dogma or a creed. That matters less. What does matter is that the human mind is not confined to the things that today are and tomorrow are gone. What does matter is that the sense of the eternal informs our doing and our thinking, that the horizon does not limit our vision, that our mind's eye can pierce beyond the things of sense into the infinity of time and of space.

I have put down what seems to me to be truths which have proved themselves in experience. To some they may appear to be the dreams of an unrepentant optimist. Optimist I am by nature; and life's experiences, including some deep sorrows and some unfulfilled hopes, have not changed my point of view. To me this rings true, and I am unrepentant. I can claim no other authority than that which may come from the vantage point of the many years from which one may look out over the peaks and valleys of life, with that sense of quietness and peace that lingers on the hilltops.

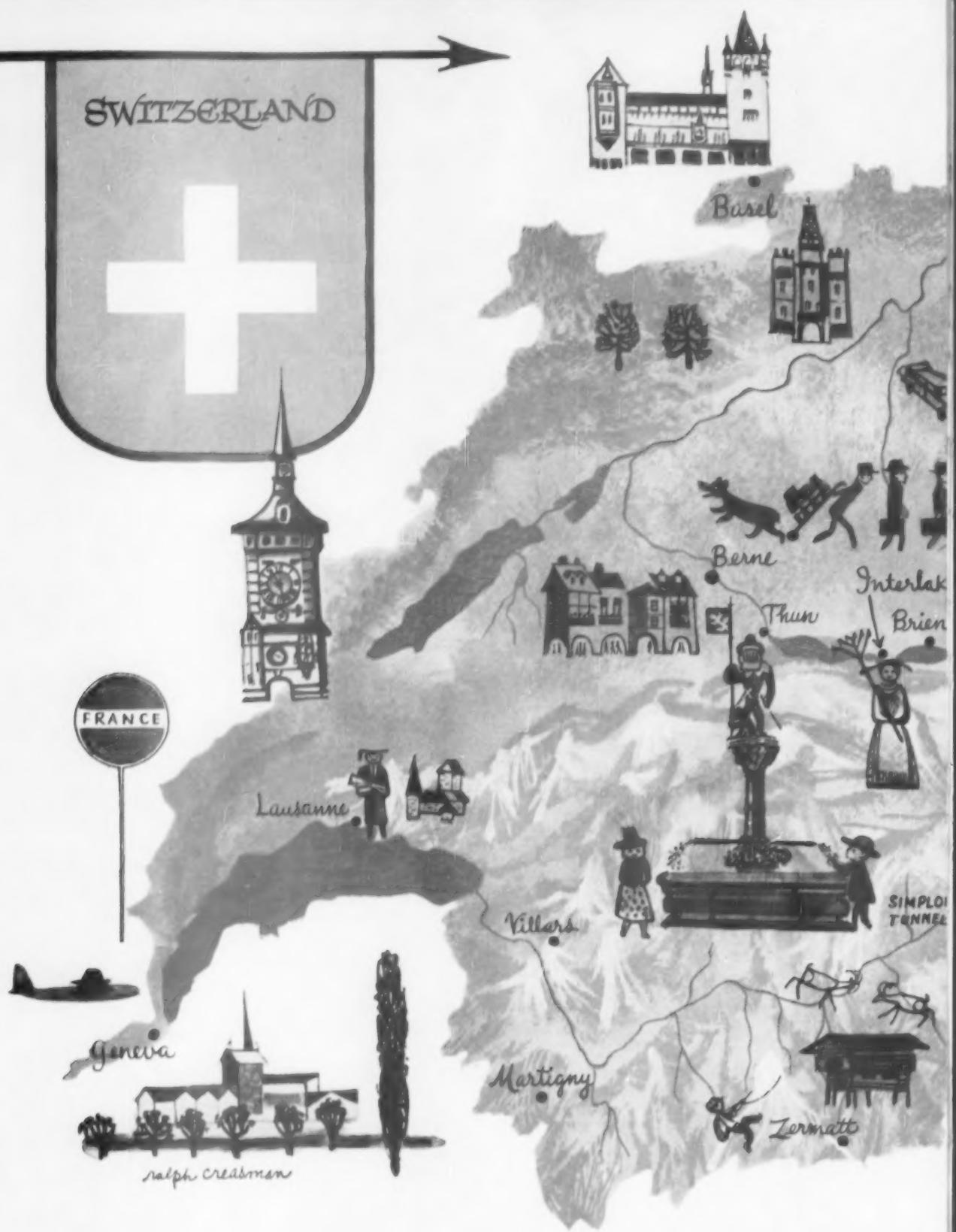


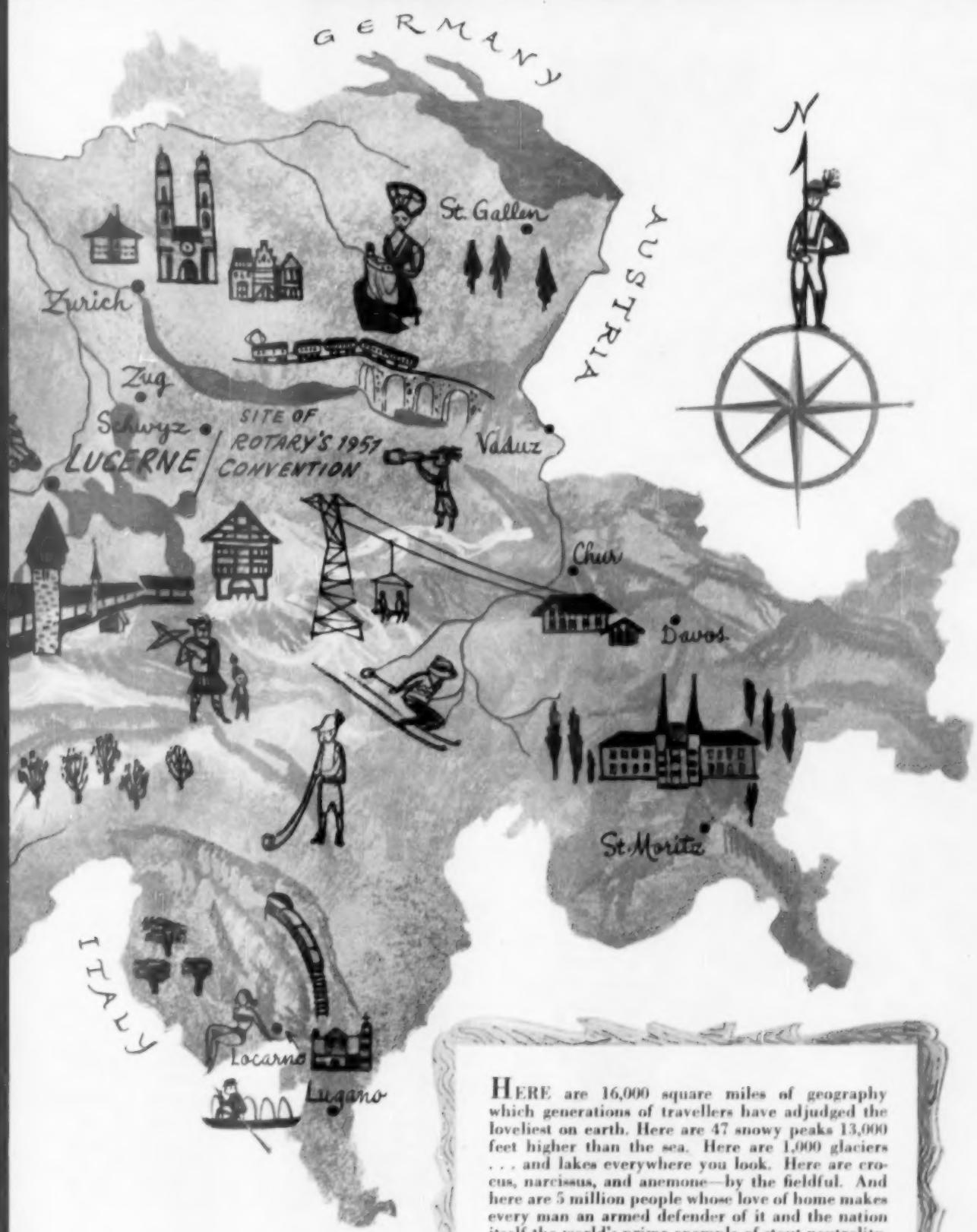
The village of Bockenried on Lake Lucerne.

IT IS only 226 miles wide at the widest. It is only 137 miles deep from North to South. It bounds only a little more earth than do Connecticut and Massachusetts together. Yet little Switzerland exerts a mighty pull on people everywhere. Ten million of them from all the continents travel to it every year . . . to meet, deal with, and be hosted by the 5 million people of Switzerland. In the inbound throng next Spring there will be thousands of Rotary folk from most of the 99 lands counted in Rotary International which will hold its 48th annual international Convention in Lucerne May 23-29. The next 12 pages, and the front cover, tell a bit about what they can expect in beautiful Suisse, Svizzera, Schweiz, Switzerland.



SWISS ROTARY





HERE are 16,000 square miles of geography which generations of travellers have adjudged the loveliest on earth. Here are 47 snowy peaks 13,000 feet higher than the sea. Here are 1,000 glaciers . . . and lakes everywhere you look. Here are crocus, narcissus, and anemone—by the fieldful. And here are 5 million people whose love of home makes every man an armed defender of it and the nation itself the world's prime example of stout neutrality. And here are 51 Rotary Clubs which will entertain Rotary's 1957 Convention next May.



Photo: Pickow from Three Lions

Switzerland

WHEN the Lord had created the first Swiss, He looked kindly upon him and said: "I will grant thee three wishes."

"Lord," answered the Swiss, "give me high mountains, that I may live nearer Heaven."

"Thy wish is granted," said the Lord. "What else doth thou desire?"

"Fields and pastures, and fine cows that give plenty of milk."

This wish, too, was granted, and the Swiss set to work tilling the fields and milking the cows.

"Is the milk good?" asked the Lord.

"It is indeed," said the Swiss. "Here, drink this mugful that Thou canst judge for Thyself."

"It is good," agreed the Lord, having quaffed from the mug. "And what is thy third wish?"

"One franc twenty, please."

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By rights, little Switzerland should have remained a placidly pastoral country with cheese and condensed milk as her staple products—and probably would have done so if her people had been content to stand about idly chewing the cud like their cattle. Instead, she nowadays imports both cheese and milk chocolate, and her exports, the products of a wide variety of highly skilled industries, range from textiles to turbines, from pharmaceuticals to marine engines. And all the materials for their manufacture—steel, coal, oils and fats, vegetable and animal fibers—as well as half of her foodstuffs, have to be purchased abroad. The Swiss today export some 35 percent of their total production.

Behind this remarkable development lies a story of hard work and applied common sense. And the strangest thing about it is that Switzerland's most valuable assets of today were once her greatest problems—political, social, and economic.

Before I elucidate, however, we had better take some bearings with the aid of the map printed elsewhere in this Magazine [pages 8-9]. There we pinpoint Lucerne—not because it is a world-famed holiday resort, but because it is the geographical center of the country, a country so small that between breakfast and lunch we can reach any point on the frontier accessible by rail or road. This despite the many natural obstacles encountered along the route: the mountains, valleys, and gorges which, if flat-

The red and white banner of Switzerland snaps in the air as a Fahnenschwinger parades the old national art of flag swinging. Note in the background the large Alpenhorns.

A TRIUMPH of COMMON SENSE

tended out with a giant rolling pin, would expand the crumpled, crinkled surface to three or four times its present size.

Travelling north from Lucerne we hit both the French and the German frontiers on the Rhine at Basel; journeying eastward we reach Liechtenstein and Austria; due south, beyond the Gotthard Pass, we strike the Italian border at Chiasso; while to the west lies Geneva, on the threshold of France. Wedged in between all these bigger countries, Switzerland is the smallest sovereign State in Europe with the exception of Denmark and a few toy principalities.

But this very smallness has proved a blessing in disguise. In the first place, it kept the sensible Swiss out of European politics. This has been their salvation. In the second, it has been a boon to the tourist trade: horizontal distances are conveniently short, everything is nicely compact, yet differences in altitude are so abrupt that the steep mountain railways give the holidaymaker the choice of any type of climate, from mellow Mediterranean to frozen Arctic.

By rights, little Switzerland should long ago have been swallowed up by one of her larger neighbors—and probably would have been if she had not had too much common sense to let herself drift with the tide of European history. Instead, in already bygone centuries she made life so unpleasant for her foreign overlords that in the end they were glad to get out while the going was good; and it is due neither to luck nor to opportunism that her territory has not been occupied by foreign armies since the days of Napoleon. In 1939, on the outbreak of World War II, the Swiss Army of 750,000 men (out of a total population of 4½ million), was the strongest purely defensive force in Western Europe. Swiss neutrality, by the way, was first internationally recognized by the Peace of Westphalia in 1648, and confirmed by the Congress of Vienna in 1815. Ever since, armed neutrality has been the nation's constitutional foreign policy.

Even the entire lack of coal proved another blessing in disguise. It forced the Swiss to harness their mountain torrents and switch over to electricity at a very early stage. It gave them cleaner towns and railways, put electric light into the homesteads of peasants on remote hillsides, created a number of new industries which are now vital factors in the nation's economy, and enabled old plants to be modernized. In addition, it helped to keep industry decentralized and to prevent the growth of large cities with their slums and social problems. There are not more than a dozen Swiss plants employing 1,000

hands each; but up and down the country, in villages of completely rural aspect, one comes across unpretentious little factories whose products, mostly some highly specialized machine or apparatus, are being used in half the countries of the world.

The Swiss are extremely hard workers. They will tell you this is so because a quarter of their country consists of barren mountains, glaciers, and snow-fields. Up to 100 years ago they hated and feared their mountains. Then the "crazy English" discovered the beauties of the Alps, and the sensible Swiss obligingly built hotels in all the attractive spots, and Alpine railways to reach them. Today the barren wilderness is an El Dorado—about 10 million tourists came to Switzerland last year by rail, road, or air.

But the great Alpine chains that cut across the country also had another unexpected advantage. To build the railways, bridges, roads, and tunnels essential for efficient communications through them called for a high degree of ingenuity, daring, and engineering skill. Once again, the very difficulty of the problem provided the incentive; it initiated the great Swiss tradition of engineering ability and technical schooling. Thus the Swiss became technical-minded, a development which in turn has paid lavish dividends in every branch of domestic industry.

Even the total absence of minerals such as iron has proved an asset: it forced the Swiss to concentrate on the highly remunerative processing indus-

By R. A. LANGFORD



A DISTINGUISHED interpreter of Switzerland to the English-speaking world, Mr. Langford also writes in German for the Swiss—his current book, *Zweite Heimat* or "Second Homeland," attesting to this ability. Born of Anglo-Irish parents on an island off Ireland, he visited Switzerland in 1928, "struck root," and stayed. He taught English and learned German; drifted into journalism, became Reuter's chief Swiss correspondent in World War II, with the whole European theater as his beat; and from 1948 to '54 presided over the Foreign Press Association in Switzerland. Mr. and Mrs. Langford (she is a Swiss who in herself combines the three national elements German, French, and Italian) have three small children. Representing five blood strains, they are, in Dad's words, "quite polyglot." Zurich is home.

tries. The result is that half of the population are today living on the difference between the purchase price of imported raw materials and the export price of the finished products made from them. A kilogram of Swedish steel, for example, may cost five Swiss francs to import, but the watch springs made from it net 5,000. The implication of this is that even in the one Swiss mass-production industry, watchmaking, the great bulk of production costs goes into the workers' pay packets.

To the uninitiated, Switzerland remains an economic puzzle. In spite of her big imports of raw materials and foodstuffs, her currency is just as stable and gold backed as the U. S. dollar, and the standard of living of her workers is among the highest in the world. Every eighth Swiss is motorized. Strikes and labor troubles are unheard of. Taxes are moderate by postwar standards. The entire industry is working to capacity. Not only is there no unemployment, there is even a chronic "overemployment" despite the fact that at present well over 300,000 foreign workers, mostly Italians, are helping the Swiss get on with the job. The old-age and dependents' insurance fund introduced after World War II has already accumulated such huge sums on 2 percent of the employees' earnings and an equal contribution by the employers that its investment has become a major national problem.

All this is the fruit of hard work and common sense. The foreign-trade balance is adverse only on paper; it takes no account of the returns from a thriving tourist trade, vast capital investments abroad, and world-wide insurance and reinsurance interests.

By rights, the population of Switzerland should be an ill-assorted rabble bickering jealously in four languages and innumerable dialects—and would have been if the nation had followed the example of her next-door neighbors in the domain of domestic and international politics. Instead, we find the 3 million German-, one million French-, 250,000 Italian-, and 45,000 Romansh-speaking sections of the population living peaceably side by side and wondering why on earth their neighbors find it necessary to wage periodic wars on each other. This does not mean that the Swiss national family lives in an idyllic state of blissful love and harmony. As in every large family living under one roof, disputes and conflicting interests blow up at times. But the Swiss family has long since discovered that any problem or quarrel, however controversial the issue, can be settled on a basis of common sense, goodwill, and tolerance.

One is tempted to say that in all this the Swiss have perpetrated a *terrible simplification* which, though perhaps feasible in a small country, would prove quite impracticable on anything like a large scale. But surely it is not so much a question of size? Surely the trouble is that, though the small-scale model "works" because the natives of Zurich, Lausanne, and

Lugano all think and feel as Swiss, and have a common interest and pride in being Swiss, the natives of Paris, London, Rome, or Bonn have not yet learnt to think and feel as Europeans. This is perfectly natural. One can take pride in being a Briton, a Dane, or a Portuguese, but to what ideals can one subscribe when proclaiming oneself a European? That's the snag! And that is why Switzerland, a United Nations organization in miniature, has succeeded where the United Europe movement has, so far, failed of accomplishment.

Politically speaking, Switzerland might be regarded as a very difficult country to "run." The people are not homogeneous in language, character, or culture like the French, the Germans, the Italians, or the English. Nor are they even a blend or fusion of races like the population of the United States. Yet there are no minorities. Each of the racial and linguistic units is so proud of its culture and independence within the Confederation that some of the cantons still insist on officially calling themselves republics. The Constitution recognizes four national languages. Even the inscriptions on the Swiss banknotes are printed in all four, and a simultaneous translation system has to be used to expedite debates in Parliament.

The Government of Switzerland might be defined as a permanent coalition, though in reality the country is not governed at all: it is merely administered. The supreme administrative body is the Federal Council, consisting of seven members elected virtually for life. In the main, however, they retire voluntarily but reluctantly before senile decay sets in. In recent times only two of them have been forced out of office by public opinion: the first, during World War II, because he was alleged to have been too weak in resisting Nazi arrogance; the second, a few years ago, because—very significantly—a more forceful personality was felt to be needed at the head of the postwar Ministry of Defense.

The Federal Council functions more like the board of directors of a business concern than a Cabinet. Its members represent the major political parties, and their President or Chairman (for there is no such thing as "the President of Switzerland") is elected for one year. He is then automatically succeeded by his Vice-President, who probably belongs to another party, whereupon he himself goes back to the end of the line and waits till his number comes up again in seven years' time. When it does, he merely becomes *primus inter pares* once more, taking the chair at Council meetings and representing the nation on State occasions. Otherwise he has no additional powers, and even remains chief of his Department during his Presidency.

This ingenious system sensibly eliminates all party ballyhoo and electioneering at the peak of the political pyramid. The result of the annual Presidential election is a foregone [Continued on page 55]



Rotary Thrives in SWITZERLAND

WHEN Paul P. Harris in 1905 inaugurated the first Rotary Club in Chicago, Switzerland was still surrounded by emperors and kings. The World War of 1914-18 brought Communism as a political power close to the borders of Switzerland. During the postwar period the good influences on our continent impelled serviceable men to gather together in Rotary. Clubs were founded in our neighboring countries: France, 1921; and Italy, 1923. Switzerland followed in 1924, Austria in 1925, Germany in 1927.

Our oldest Club is Zurich. A year after its beginning, Rotary International set up a Continental European Office in Zurich and it continues to this day and is growing. It is known as the Zurich Office of Rotary International. Also in 1925, Clubs were founded in Berne, Geneva, Lucerne, Basel, and St. Gallen. Lausanne and the world-famous resort St. Moritz can claim a Club existence of 30 years. Four Clubs were founded in 1927, five Clubs in 1928, and three Clubs in 1929. At that time the whole of Switzerland, embracing the four language regions, counted 20 Clubs.

Our first District Governor was Hugo Prager, 1925-27, a hotel proprietor in Zurich. When Henry Tschudy, a printer of St. Gallen, became Governor in 1928-29, he had the honor to receive and accompany Paul Harris on his travels in Switzerland.

Another 16 Clubs came into being from 1930 to 1952. At the head of the District we have always had capable Governors. Many of them have gone on to serve Rotary International on higher levels as Committee members, as delegates, Counsellors, etc. Hugo Prager was First Vice-President of Rotary International in 1936-37; C. J. Steiger, of Zurich, served on the Rotary International Board and was Second Vice-President in 1942-43. Curt E. Wild, of St. Gallen, was also on the international Board, and Fritz Gysin, of Zurich, is today the head of the European, North African, and Eastern Mediterranean Advisory Committee.

In 1953-54 District Governor Albert Rüegg delivered the charters to nine new Clubs. Today Switzerland has 51 Clubs. Rotary has been introduced into all cantons of Switzerland except for a few half-cantons. Canton Berne leads with six Clubs.

The number of Rotarians in our District 86 was 2,100 on July 1, 1956. The largest Club is Zurich with 134 members, followed by Geneva with 105 members, and Berne with 100 mem-

bers. The membership of four Clubs is between 75 and 100, of five Clubs between 50 and 75, of nine Clubs between 35 and 50, and of 30 Clubs between 20 and 35 members.

Each year District 86 distributes various scholarships for further education abroad for special research work, for attendance at the Academy of International Law, and so on. Incidentally, eight Rotary Foundation Fellows are currently studying in Switzerland.

Our Clubs also organize or support international youth camps. Thanks to the work of various Clubs, student homes and kindergartens have opened.

We have a very well-edited monthly magazine published in three languages: *Der Schweizer Rotarier — Le Rotarien Suisse — Il Rotariano Svizzero*. Of our 51 Clubs, 32 use German, 13 French, three Italian, and two German and French speaking. We have one Club in the Romansh-speaking region. The *Monthly Letter* of the Governor appears in German and French and occasionally in Italian.

The Rotary Clubs of Switzerland and the Zurich Office of Rotary International had a special significance during the World War II years, 1939-1946. In most countries of Continental Europe, Rotary was forbidden and suppressed. Switzerland remained the only country in Central Europe to guard the Rotary ideology. Here Rotary life continued, and from here after the War contact could be made with the newly rising Clubs of neighbor lands.

Rotary holds an esteemed position in Switzerland. Its members take part in politics and are represented in all parliaments. Many Rotarians are officers in our Army, some of them holding the highest posts. Our leading men in economy and science are Rotarians.

All Swiss Rotarians are indeed delighted that the Convention of Rotary International for 1957 is going to take place in Lucerne and Central Switzerland. We sincerely hope that a great many of our Rotary friends abroad will decide to pay our beautiful Switzerland a visit. Therefore, we greet Rotarians all over the world with a hearty: Welcome to Lucerne!

By HANS BENER

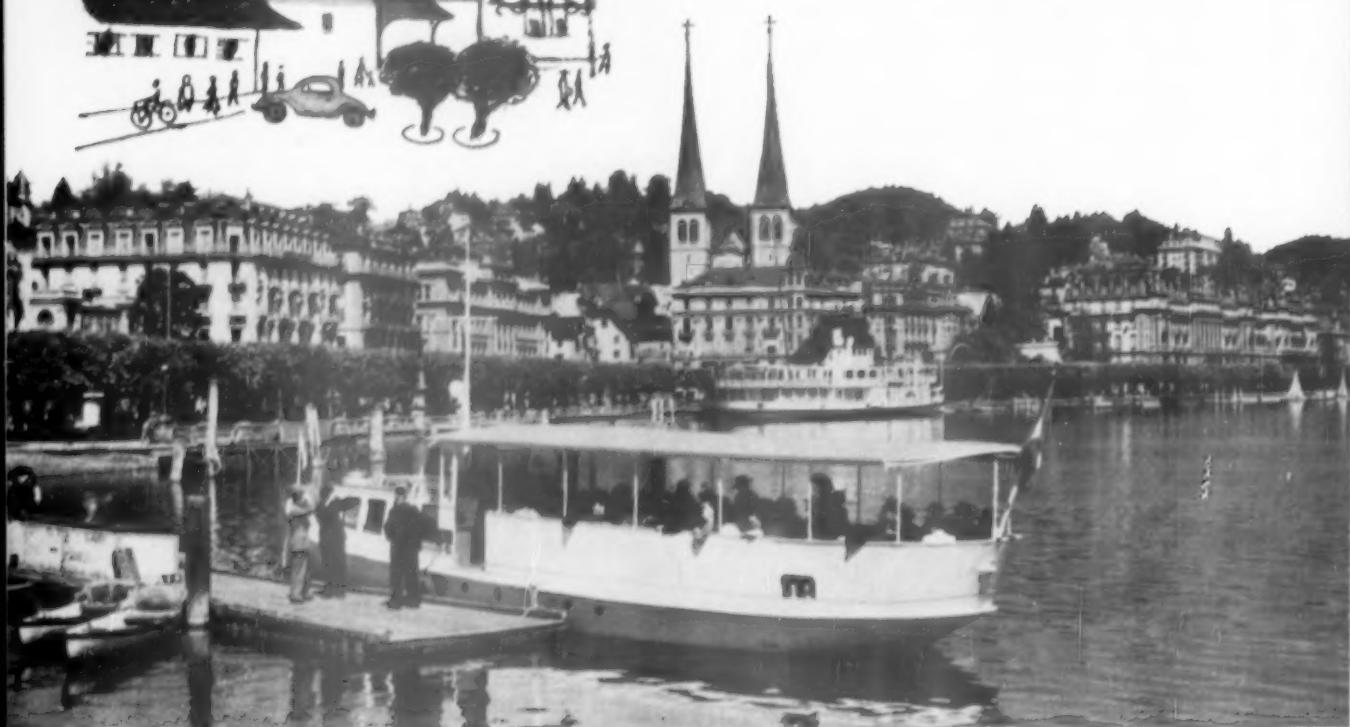
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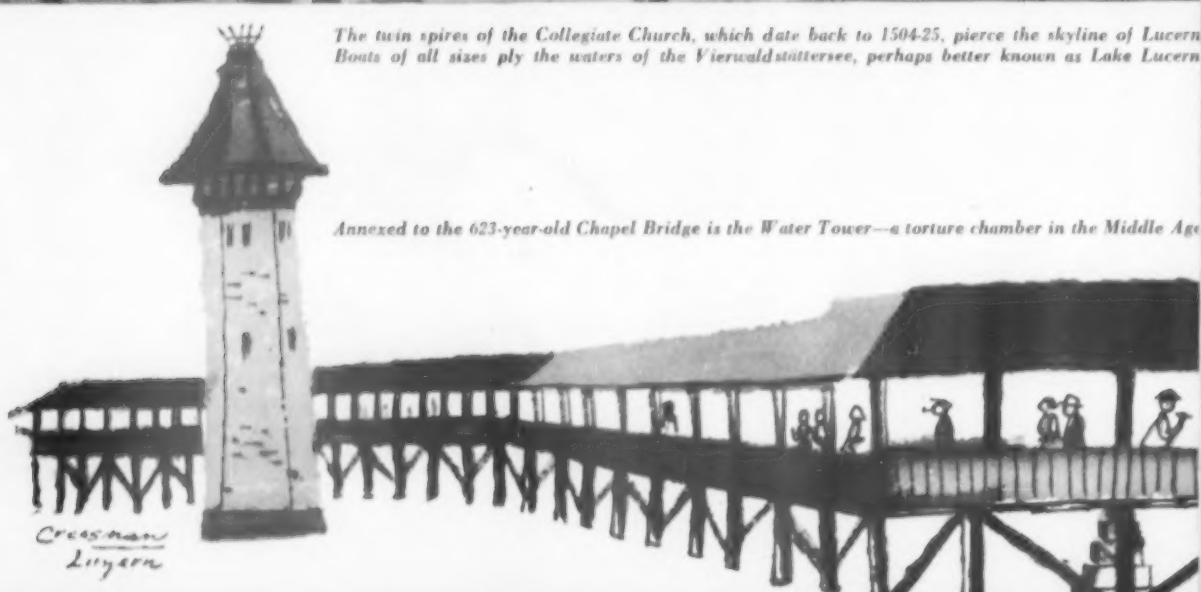
Luzern, Lucerne



*In whatever tongue, it's a lovely place.
It is Rotary's 1957 Convention center.*



The twin spires of the Collegiate Church, which date back to 1504-25, pierce the skyline of Lucern. Boats of all sizes ply the waters of the Vierwaldstättersee, perhaps better known as Lake Lucern.

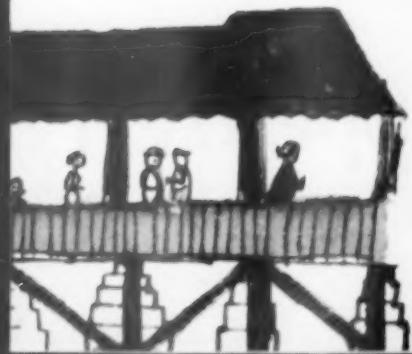


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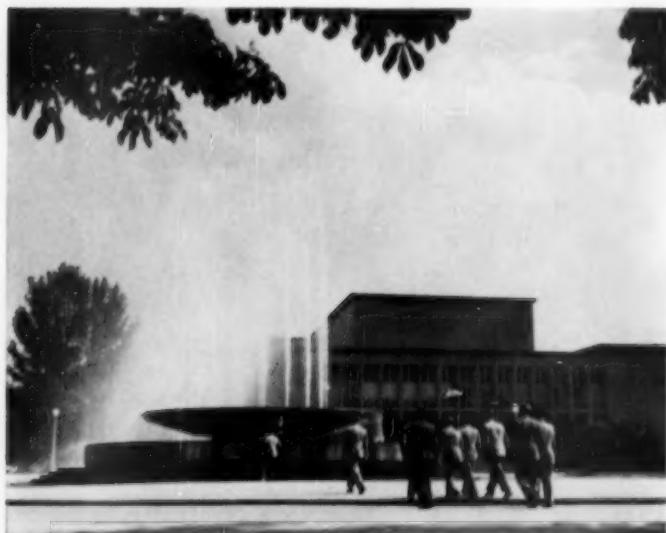
Old watchtowers like this one give Lucerne, focal point of Rotary's 1957 Convention, an ancient charm.

Photos: Swiss National Tourist Office;
sketches by Ralph Creasman



JUST north of the geographic center of Switzerland, on the western shores of the Vierwaldstättersee, or Lake of the Four Forest Cantons, is Lucerne, scene of Rotary's 1957 international Convention. The tiny fishing village of 1,000 years ago is now a city of 63,000. The grandeur of its Alpine setting has made it one of Europe's most popular cosmopolitan holiday resorts and excursion centers.

Here are internationally famed shops, lining streets of rare Old World charm. Here are fine restaurants, hotels, swimming and golfing facilities, excursions by boat, bus, car, railway, or funicular and transportation by these to the more than 30 communities near Lucerne which will host Rotarians and their families. Here, too, are the famous octagonal Water Tower, a torture chamber of the Middle Ages; the Lion Memorial; Festival Hall, where Convention plenary sessions will be held; Glacier Garden; and the slender spires of Collegiate Church. Here indeed is an ideal Convention city.



Congress House and Art Gallery is one of many Lucerne museums, among them the Richard Wagner Museum, home of the celebrated composer from 1866-72. . . . (Below) Towers and walls of the Musegg once fortified what is now old Lucerne. Today the walls are floodlighted during Summer evenings.





A solemn march to the town square by office holders begins election day in Appenzell, ancient Swiss village of rich Alpine pastures.

*A picture-story that helps to explain
the purity and vigor of Swiss democracy.*

Landsgemeinde in Appenzell

WHEN Spring comes to the Appenzell country of Northeast Switzerland, a rich dairying region about a day's travel from Zurich, the Appenzellers begin to get ready for their *Landsgemeinde*. Their election day, it is held on the last Sunday in April in the town square, called the "Ring." In other of the older Swiss cantons this "open air parliament" also takes place, but Appenzell's is the largest and, perhaps, the best-known example of this nation's highly pure democracy.

Dressed in their Sunday best—and this means dark suits for the men—the townspeople gather: the women to watch, the men to vote. A solemn ceremony dating back to the 13th Century, it is an intermingling of religion and politics, as prayers and hymns echo across the Sitter River between sessions of discussion and voting. Upraised hands elect town councilmen and pass such cantonal legislation as budgetary matters and tax proposals. Discussion is open to all voters on issues before the *Landsgemeinde*.

When the last prayer has been said and the voting is over, these Swiss of the Inner Rhoden half of the canton of Appenzell participate in a ritual that places the responsibility of good government upon both the elected and the electors. First, the president of the Council, the *Landammann*, takes an oath that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his office and be loyal to those who elected him. Then he is answered by the people as they repeat an oath of allegiance to uphold the laws under which they themselves have chosen to live.



Black-robed officials stand before voting townsmen in a ceremony traditional in Switzerland for more than seven centuries.



In ceremonial uniform, Swiss boy views proceedings he will someday help carry on.



Holding swords as a symbol of their right to vote, Appenzellers give a show of hands on election issue before them.



On platform flanked by cantonal swords, the president of the Town Council raises his hand as oath of office is read to him.

All in Good Time



The world's smallest watch—so tiny that a match head could conceal the dial—contains a 17-jewel movement.



Combining about every special watch mechanism known, this is the most complicated (900 parts) and expensive (\$16,000) watch made.

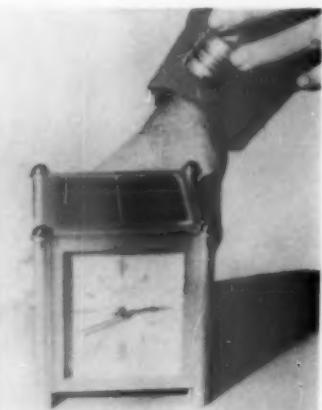
For the sportsman! A chronometer and timer which indicates the date and month and the phases of the moon.

TIME, obviously, has a long history. Ages ago, man marked the passage of time by the regular appearances and disappearances of the sun and moon. Only in recent history, comparatively, has he attempted to measure it more accurately. Some 40 centuries ago the Babylonians divided the day and night into 12 hours each and developed the sundial to measure the dozen daytime hours. Many civilizations have since contributed to the invention and development of the scores of time-measuring devices—obelisks, clepsydras or water clocks, hourglasses, knotted ropes, incense sticks, and others—from which the precision timepieces of today have evolved. From the long history of such devices, one country—the tiny Alpine democracy of Switzerland—has emerged as the nation which, in its words, “times the world.”

In Geneva and also in the Jura Mountain region in the Northwest are hundreds of factories manufacturing as many as 30 million watches a year. The industries maintain laboratories and observatories which work constantly for the ultimate in precision timepieces. In many Swiss horological schools, a student must study four years to become a watchmaker, seven to become a watch engineer.

Swiss craftsmen, too, have turned their talents to the creation of special timepieces—such as those which register the movement of the moon and stars. Other watches compute current rates of monetary exchange, tell the time in many parts of the world in several languages, register the days of the months and the year, the times of sunset and sunrise, and the speed of cars and planes. One can even predict the weather!

Indeed, the entire world marches to the cadence of the ticking clock. In a nursery rhyme the mouse runs up it; in folk ballad it runs faithfully during grandfather's 90 years; at home it tells us when the eggs are hard boiled; and in Lucerne next May it will tell the Rotarians of the world gathered there the exact time of all the wonderful events of Rotary's 1957 Convention.



Developed by Swiss watch craftsmen, this clock will run an entire day if exposed to the light for 60 minutes.



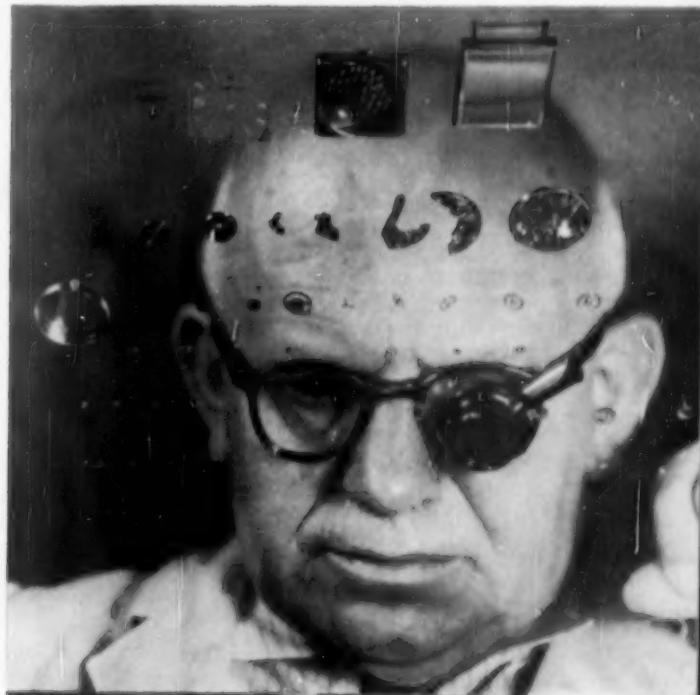
The world's thinnest watch—about as thin as a U. S. quarter.



A mechanism activated by changes in barometric pressure winds the main-spring powering this Swiss clock.



It tells time, plays music, and serves as a key ring—a unique jeweled-movement timepiece now in fashion.

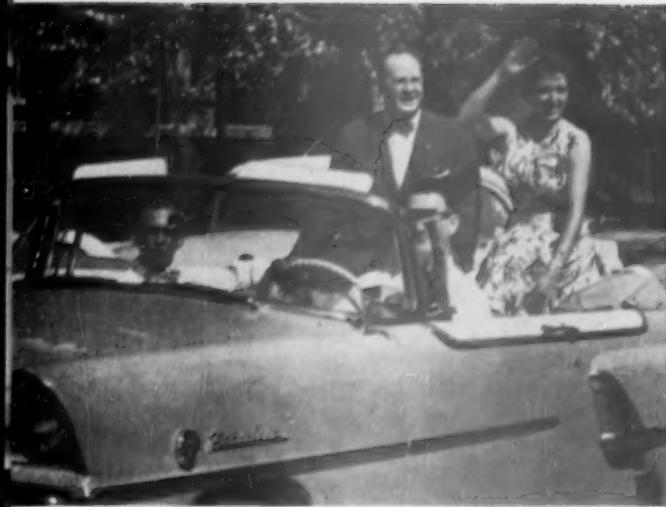


An up-through-the-bench-top view of a typical Swiss watchmaker. Some watch screws are so tiny it takes 50,000 to fill a thimble.



The latest in belt buckles includes this watch which falls into view by pressing a small button on the case.

Photos: International News Bureau



Monika Prader, of Switzerland, sees Carmi, Ill., for the first time as she rides in a welcoming parade with Wade B. East, Governor of District 216. It begins her visit in Carmi as guest of the Rotary Club.



At parade's end, hundreds of Carmi's townspeople turn out to greet Monika in the city park. Here she is shown speaking to her welcomers after being introduced by Governor East as "a girl you will just love."

Swiss Queen of CARMI

By ROBERT A. PLACEK

*She's the guest of an Illinois Rotary Club,
and is winning hearts with her winning ways.*

THE girl from Switzerland, sitting in the living room of a comfortable American home, was calmly answering the questions of reporters. Though each query shifted her thoughts to a different subject, she never lost her composure, nor her smile.

"Yes, I like television. You can learn a lot from it, but sometimes it is not good."

"The American kitchen? It is so modern. Everything is packed in paper or frozen."

"Oh, teen-agers here always seem to be so busy. They live so . . . so rapidly."

For an hour or more this went on, with the Swiss girl demonstrating by her intelligence and enthusiasm that the Rotary Club of Carmi, Illinois, had made a good choice in selecting her to come to America for a two-month visit as its guest. Monika Prader

is the young lady's name; Davos, Switzerland, in the Landwasser Valley of the Alps, is her home. Tall, blue-eyed, and 20; she speaks French, German, Italian, and English, and possesses so friendly a manner that on meeting her everyone finds it easy to say, "Welcome, Monika," instead of "How do you do, Miss Prader."

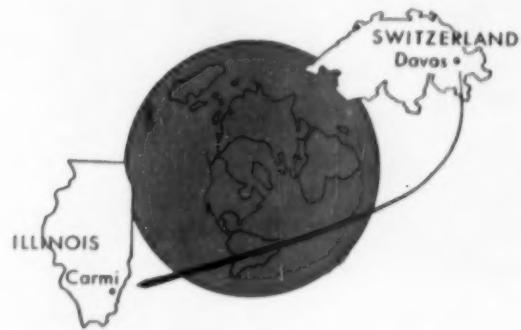
"Visiting America," Monika says, "is something I always hoped to do, but never thought I would." The events that brought her to the U.S.A. began about a year ago. Wade B. East, a Carmi Rotarian now serving as Governor of District 216, visited a Rotary Club in Kansas on a day its speaker was a young lady from Thailand. He talked with her, and came away with a better understanding of Thailand and its people. Back home, Wade East went to his Rotary Club, told its Board



"Greetings from Davos Rotarians," says Monika as she presents Club banner to President Endicott. Monika's father is a member of the Davos Club.



Holding a bouquet of roses presented to her a few moments before by Samuel L. Endicott, President of the Rotary Club of Carmi, Monika is surrounded in the city park by members of the town's Girl Scout troop, all eager to know this Swiss miss.



Her first dinner in an American home is a relaxed, happy event for Monika and her hosts, Governor and Mrs. East. David and Janette East quickly "took" to Monika. Here she helps Janette by carving her meat.



Though Carmi's oil wells are big business, its watermelons and other crops make farming its major industry. Here Stewart Pearce, Jr., son of a Rotarian, shows Monika the outdoors way to eat watermelon.

of Directors about the Thai visitor he had met, and then suggested that Carmi Rotary bring an overseas visitor to its community.

That Carmi, a prosperous oil and agricultural town of 6,500, now has Monika Prader as a temporary resident says all that need be said of the Club's endorsement of Wade East's idea. After deciding that its visitor should come from Switzerland—host nation to Rotary's 48th Annual Convention in Lucerne next May 19-23—Carmi made its plans known to Switzerland's 51 Rotary Clubs through Rotary's Continental European Office in Zurich. Within a few weeks there followed a screening of applications by Carmi's Board and the final selection of Monika, graduate of a commercial college and daughter of Dr. Florian Prader, a dentist and Rotarian of Davos.

From the day Monika accepted the invitation, this 18-year-old Illinois Club worked to make its future guest feel "at home" on the very day of her arrival. Every Carmi Rotarian—58 strong—began writing to Monika more than six months before she was to leave for America. They gave their letters a personal touch ("When you come to our house, we'll roast wienies outdoors"), and Monika answered everyone



At the town's Youth Hub, formality is out of order. On her first evening there, Monika joins in the singing. Later she joined a conga line.

of them. She was also sent the Carmi *Times* every day, via airmail. Thus, on the day she rode down Carmi's Main Street in a welcoming parade she felt not as a stranger among the hundreds who greeted her, but more like a returned traveller renewing old acquaintances.

Actually, Carmi's warm welcome stretched all the way to the New York harbor, where Monika first set foot on American soil. There waiting for her were Governor East, his wife, and two children, who had driven to New York so that Monika's first sight of America would include the faces of friends. On the way back to Carmi they stopped in Washington, D. C., where Monika visited some Government institutions and met some of the men who help make them work.

During a chat with Sherman Adams, former Governor of New Hampshire and now Assistant to the President, the talk turned to skiing, Monika's favorite sport. "I like to ski, too," Mr. Adams told her, "and your ski runs at Davos are excellent." Monika beamed, for Davos has the longest ski run in Europe, the Parsenn, and the largest ice rink.

In planning Monika's days in Carmi—days that might run on for more than two months, if her parents agree—Governor East and his Rotary colleagues have kept uppermost in mind the purpose of her visit: to enable their Rotary Club to "do something tangible to better international relations." This has meant enabling Monika to become better acquainted with America and its

people, and helping Americans become better acquainted with Monika and her homeland.

To do this, Carmi's Swiss miss began by living in the home of Governor East, a minister who is superintendent of the Baptist Children's home in Carmi. But many other Rotarians are to open their homes to her, too, among them Samuel L. Endicott, Club President; Henry Lewis, President in 1955-56; and Stewart A. Pearce, who organized the welcoming parade.

Carmians in their late teens and early 20's found Monika to be "good company" right away. At a reception held for her soon after she arrived, she met her Rotarian



"Delicious!" says Monika as she tastes her first soda in America with Georgia Allen, Carmi senior.

hosts and their wives, and a large section of the town's younger set. Later her circle of friends widened still more when she reigned as "Queen" of the annual county fair in mid-August.

Some travelling, too, was on her busy schedule, some of it to take her beyond Carmi and neighboring towns. Such plans included an outing at a St. Louis, Missouri, zoo; a week-end in Nashville, Tennessee, where she would attend a famous U. S. radio show; and perhaps a visit to Chicago, Illinois. Invitations to speak at civic, church, and school functions in other communities began coming in on the day she arrived in Carmi. Finally they became so numerous that it was decided to limit her speaking engagements to local groups.

Though all this activity gives Monika few moments of leisure,

she still takes time to give thoughtful appraisal to what she is doing. "I love every minute of this," she says, "and I wish every Swiss boy and girl could come to America to learn what I am learning about this country and its people. They are more friendly than I imagined they could be, and their hospitality is enormous. In the short time I have been here, I have come to love them."

As for Wade East, the man who spurred his Club on to "do something" in international relations, he says of Monika's visit, "It's the finest thing that has ever happened to our community. Our young people are learning a great deal about Switzerland and the Swiss, and Monika will take back feelings of friendliness and understanding that she will share with countless others. Think of the change that could be made in world understanding if the more than 9,100 Rotary Clubs in nearly 100 countries pursued a similar project for ten years. It could make the difference between world peace and world war."

On that day Monika does board ship for her return home, in her trunk will be some 1,000 feet of color film and hundreds of color slides of her adventure in Carmi. And in her heart she will carry what no film could ever record: the warmest, nearest sort of feeling for a whole townful of people she never even knew existed a year ago.



In Washington, D. C., Monika visits the White House and meets Sherman Adams (second left), Presidential Assistant, and Congressman Chas. W. Vursell (right), of Illinois. They talked of Switzerland and skiing. Governor Wade B. East (at left) arranged this visit for her.

Folks along the way

*There are fine surprises
in this life . . . and none
finer than the stranger
who proves a kind friend.*

By

BURGES JOHNSON

*Illustration
by Art Mages*



" . . . he put it on a cot, then made us treat the other cots in the same way."

ONE Summer day about 40 years ago we started off on a family vacation trip in our first car. A Willys-Knight, it had side curtains which could be buttoned down to keep us warm and dry. On the right-hand running board I had installed a long wooden box which would hold our folding camp cots, clothes, canned goods, and other supplies. It was as high as the door handles, ran the full length of the running board, and was painted black. We could not enter the car from the box side. We called my invention "Grandma's coffin."

Our trip wasn't much as you measure miles today—just a little jaunt from Poughkeepsie to Albany and then over into the hills of Massachusetts. But what an adventure then! One small incident is so vivid in my memory that I am sure I have told it a hundred times.

On the second afternoon out we ran into rain, and we drove along looking for a better shelter for our cot beds than the canvas tarpaulin which covered the car and cots as well would afford. Climbing a small hill we came suddenly on a country church with a parsonage close by. Back of the church was a row of empty carriage sheds—and they looked like a gift from Providence. We drove into one of them, and the children started getting out our gear while I trotted over to the parsonage to ask permission.

Through a front window I saw the gray-haired parson sitting in his easy chair with a lamp on the

table beside him. He came to the door at my knock.

"My, my!" he exclaimed, peering toward the sheds, "this will never do!" and hatless and coatless he went out into the rain. I hurried after him. When we reached the sheds, he bowed to my wife, then seized an end of one of the cots, motioning to our small boy to take the other end. "We'll carry these right into the church."

Despite our protests, he helped us to carry the cots through the church front door and down the aisle to an open space beside the pulpit. Some framed mottos on the walls indicated that this space was the Sunday-school room.

"There!" he said. "That's much better; but we can make you more comfortable still." Taking a long cushion from a pew, he put it on a cot, then made us treat the other cots in the same way. When we protested again, he said, quickly, "What's a church for but to be of service in any way it can? There's the stove, and there's wood in the cellar. Just light a fire if you find it's too chilly."

I couldn't find words to thank him, but I assured him it was the first time in my life I had ever slept in church with a clear conscience.

So he left us there with a cheery "Good night"; a gentle, courteous, friendly old man, with a strong sense of his duty. There are persons like that scattered here and there throughout the world, and when you meet one he revitalizes your faith in humankind.

PUNISH the PARENT?

By J. EDGAR HOOVER

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THE CULTISTS who for years have allowed their children to emulate Topsy, the child who "jus' growed," are now having a bitter awakening. They are learning that juveniles who are allowed to "just grow," with inadequate guidance and few moral restraints, are not in some automatic fashion directed toward a mature and happy adulthood. Those who have forgotten the Biblical admonition to "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it" are finding that the abdication of parental responsibility is resulting in the tragic anarchy of juvenile delinquency.

The tragedy does not end with delinquency. It has been the sad experience of law enforcement to note that the first act of delinquent behavior is all too often the forerunner of increasingly serious crimes. The stairway from delinquency to crime is but a few short steps. If you examine their records, you will find that many of today's most vicious criminals committed yesterday's burglaries, the petty thefts

of last year, and acts of vandalism the year before.

The process of criminal development is a depressing and disheartening one. We in law enforcement are charged with stemming the tide of crime. That is our job. But the tide of juvenile crime will become overwhelming unless preventive action is taken in the one place where it can do the most good—the home.

Look for a moment at the problem with which we are faced. Last year America's vast criminal army committed an estimated 2,262,450 major offenses—the second-largest total in the nation's history. To be sure, it suffered casualties; and to fill the vacancies in its ranks, the underworld looks to the rich recruiting grounds of juvenile delinquency.

It is not looking in vain. In 1954 an estimated 519,000 persons under 18 years of age were arrested. In 1955, arrests in the same age group jumped to 576,000—an increase of 11 percent.

How much of this is due to population increase? In comparing 1954 with 1955, it should be noted that the population of youths aged 10-17 increased 3 percent while the arrest rate in this age group increased 7.8 percent.

The responsibility of these juveniles for major crimes is shocking. Reports from 1,477 American cities reveal that of all arrests for major crimes during 1955, 42.3 percent were of persons under 18 and nearly half of these were under 15! Persons under 18 accounted for 21.4 percent of the robbery arrests, 46.9 percent of the larceny arrests, 52.7 percent of the burglary arrests, and 62.2 percent of the arrests for automobile theft!

Criminals are not born with the stamp of criminality affixed to them. They are created by the forces and influences surrounding them. Certainly parental influence is a vital element in determining the direction in which a child will go—whether toward stable, responsible adulthood, or through the series of delinquencies which lead to a life of crime.

In a free society, the fundamental responsibility for children rests with the parents. From the building of the first colonial cabin, the home has been the foundation of the American Republic. Families worked together and played together and worshiped God together. But America's expanding economy—the birth of the Machine Age—changed the picture. In too many instances, the family unit now is a mere

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cell of diversified interests, and the home is less a stronghold than in the past. The mortar of parental duty, family love, personal honor, and sound religious concepts, once impervious to attack, has been critically weakened. There now appears to be far too much sand in the mortar which joins the bricks of our homes. Wherever mortar is weak, cracks appear, the foundation crumbles, and piles of rubble start to grow. In like manner, homes disintegrate—and the victims in the rubble heaps are the youngsters.

The house may stand after the home has ceased to exist. Everyone has seen the youngster who has been left without the insulation which a true home provides. He looks for an outstretched hand, and there are many reaching toward him. Too often they are unclean. These dirty hands have the advantage of immediacy, for, unfortunately, they always are there. Wherever parental responsibility is lax or nonexistent, the chances of these unclean hands enticing the youngster into mischief and delinquency are enhanced.

The parent who fails his duty by neglecting to provide moral training and essential consistent discipline in the home should be accountable for the delinquencies which emanate from that neglect. I firmly believe that the tide of juvenile crime could be stemmed if neglectful parents were made to face legal and financial responsibility for the criminal acts of their children. I am convinced that parental incompetency and parental indifference are at the root of the vast majority of youthful behavior problems. While it is seldom possible to isolate a single item and say, "This is the sole cause of delinquency in this case," the lack of parental responsibility is reflected with monotonous regularity in case after case as a basic causal factor.

In one incident this year, three brothers, the eldest of whom was 15 years of age and on parole for auto theft, were apprehended by local officers in a stolen automobile. As a result of the ensuing investigation, thousands of dollars' worth of loot taken in the course of numerous burglaries was recovered. All the youngsters admitted participating in the burgla-

ries. In the course of a period of years all had been involved in auto theft and burglary. One had been arrested at the age of 9 for auto tampering. An older brother, no longer at home, had been a ward of juvenile authorities for years.

What was responsible for the delinquency which brought the family into contact with three juvenile courts in as many cities over a brief period? Certainly the facts disclosed in the course of the investigation by local authorities were pertinent. The parents, it was found, spent very little time with their children and exercised practically no supervision over them. The neglected child is a natural recruit for the criminal army.

What is the path that an unsupervised youngster may take? The following is the step-by-step account of the route which led a 12-year-old boy to disaster:

This recorded history of a delinquent begins in the latter part of May, 1954, with the theft of a gum machine. Three months later another theft is recorded. Two slingshots, valued at 10 cents each, are taken in the next theft listed approximately four months later. Only days go by when "attempted burglary" is written on the record. In less than a month the charge of "loitering," followed a few days later by "holdup," increases the steadily enlarging

Illustration by Marvin Seruk



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record. "Escapee" is followed rapidly by "assault," "truant," and another "escapee" charge. In quick succession, three burglaries are listed, and after them the ominous "investigation of aggravated burglary and murder." The final notation? Less than a year after the first petty theft, it reads, "May 13, 1955—Murder."

In this case the seeds of delinquency sprouted in a sordid, disorganized home where supervision was so limited that the child's mother indicated her son did not even sleep at home.

Poverty does not dictate delinquency. Almost every paper one picks up reflects an instance of some type of delinquency, and many of the youngsters involved come from materially substantial homes. The local authorities most directly concerned would, I am sure, tell you that back of the majority of these cases lies, in some form or other, the abdication of parental responsibility: broken home; lack of parental supervision; overprotective parents; drunken parents; overindulgent

a father reportedly was puzzled by the fact that his 17-year-old son had been involved in a particularly aggravated case involving assault and malicious mischief. He had, he said, given his son everything the youngster wanted. To illustrate the point that the boy wanted for nothing, the father laughingly related an incident indicating that in the course of a few days' visit to a large city his son and the latter's friend had wrecked a car and run up an entertainment bill of nearly \$800.

Too much money, high-powered cars, and inadequate parental supervision spell trouble just as quickly as does too little money in combination with too little supervision.

The crux, the key, the heart, of the problem is not material. The child must be imbued in the home with a sense of individual responsibility and this is foremost a matter of parental responsibility.

What is society to do when parents abdicate their responsibility?

There are no simple, easy answers. Authorities in scores of

connection with the child's delinquencies. The father had allowed the family apartment to become a juvenile meeting place of such type that complaints of disorderly behavior were as high as three a day, and he had allowed the 13-year-old girl to rove about under no supervision with male companions from age 13 to 40. The girl's mother was given a one-year suspended sentence.

A judge in a Midwestern U. S. city gave the guardian of a 15-year-old boy who had twice violated curfew regulations a ten-day suspended sentence with the warning that the suspension would be lifted if the youth again violated the curfew.

Still another item reflects that parents of two teen-age girls who had engaged in vandalism at a school were ordered by the judge to pay \$600 toward the \$1,500 damage which resulted from the girls' acts.

Some States have passed legislation relative to the responsibility of parents in connection with the delinquencies of minor children.

How effective is such legislation? Discussion for and against it is heated. Logical arguments can be projected on either side. While legislation of this type is in the experimental or trial-and-error stage, the growing problem of delinquency confronting us today almost ensures it will be the focus of increasing public attention.

Juvenile delinquency is not limited to one place. It does not stop at national boundaries. It is a problem universal in scope.

I am convinced that the vast majority of causes of juvenile delinquency are to be found within the realm of parental control and that indifference is at the root of the failure to exercise that control. I believe that if parents could in some manner be shocked into a realization of their full responsibility for making decent citizens of their children, we should see an abatement in the tide of delinquency. Those parents who willfully neglect or otherwise contribute to the delinquency of their children, in effect, abdicate their parental responsibilities. They certainly should be held accountable for the criminal acts of their children.

Boy and Growth

His dad had not come back and now he knew
That somehow he was taller than he stood,
And though this sudden growth was strange, it's true,
The lean boy recognized it, found it good.

Just yesterday he surely would have gone
Trailing the Autumn woods with his brown dog,
Walking in kinship with both deer and fawn,
In brotherhood with any wet green frog.

But now he would stay home and fill the box
With lengths of applewood and hickory chips,
Ageing in time not told by any clocks,
A man-grown whistle puckering his lips.

And though no measure marked a change at all,
The boy walked down this day, grown spirit-tall.

—Anobel Armour

mother; overly strict father; parent works nights; poor home conditions; parental neglect; lack of religious training; no discipline; depraved home environment.

Nothing is sadder, in my opinion, than those cases in which children lack nothing in material things and yet parental irresponsibility destroys their potential development as good citizens. I cannot forget one instance in which

States are striving to find the ones which will enable them to deal effectively with parents who refuse to accept the responsibilities which go with parenthood. In recent months, news stories indicate that the courts are developing a stringent attitude toward such parents. One item reflects that the stepfather of a 13-year-old girl in an East Coast city received a one-year sentence in

Plant Your Highways—for Safety

The skillful use of roadside shrubbery is paying huge dividends in beauty, safety, and motoring ease.

By PETER FARB

AT THE 1932 dedication of the Mount Vernon Memorial Highway in Virginia—a 15-mile link between the U. S. capital and George Washington's plantation—President Hoover and the officials accompanying him were amazed to find none of the usual scars of recent construction, debauched vegetation, roadside eyesore. Instead, they drove through an avenue of tall trees, thriving shrubs, lush grass. One official exclaimed: "This road looks as if it's *always* been here!" That was because existing vegetation along the right-of-way had been carefully preserved by the designers and supplemented where more growth was needed. Over the years the plantings have flourished, giving motorists, neighboring property owners, and taxpayers a multitude of benefits.

Around 9 million cars and busses travel the Mount Vernon Highway each year. "Shoestring parks" screen out unsightly railroad yards, factories, parking lots. Houses along the roadside are insulated by thick plantings against noise and dancing headlights. Mass stands of honeysuckle and other vines on slopes save tax dollars by controlling erosion and eliminating expensive mowing. Curving rows of trees alert drivers to coming changes in the road's direction. Low-growing evergreens form a wall of green at traffic islands and intersections, warning of possible danger. A backdrop of vegetation makes directional and caution signs more visible, and green sidelines clearly define the driving area.

From this quarter-century-old road and a few similar roads elsewhere dates the concept of what the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads calls the "complete highway"—

one that pays continuing dividends in utility, safety, beauty, and economy.

Today most of America's 700,000 miles of State roads have got some degree of the greenhouse treatment. An average of 2 percent of the construction cost now goes into plantings. For how we handle roadsides can largely determine whether a road is safe or dangerous, a pleasure to drive on or a strain, an expense or an economy.

The new Interstate Highway System—provided for in the 29-billion-dollar Federal road-building program approved last Summer by the U. S. Congress—will change the face of America. When it is completed, a 41,000-mile network will link almost every city in the United States of over 50,000 population with green highway ribbons up to 250 feet in

width. This mammoth engineering and construction project will take 13 years to finish. Along with new techniques in roadbed design will come new methods of roadside planting. There will be plantings to prevent erosion, planting for traffic guidance, screens, and snowbreaks. Miniature roadside parks will relieve the fatigue of long trips; no billboards or roadside businesses will be allowed on the right-of-way.

The benefits of skillful planting along a highway are many: headlight-glare elimination, for one. Fifteen years ago Connecticut found accidents at one of its busy traffic circles an almost nightly occurrence. Investigation showed that drivers approaching the flat, unplanted rotary often saw only oncoming headlight beams, and not the rotary itself. They would continue right across the rotary, realize the mistake at the last moment, [Continued on page 59]

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In a dramatic demonstration of roadside shrubbery as a safety barrier, the driver and car emerged unscathed from this 50 m.p.h. crash into a rosebush hedge.

Presenting: Our New Fellows

*The 122 Rotary Foundation grantees now off
for a year of study abroad
constitute the largest class in nine years.*

SEATED in the outer room were ten young men. Their shirts were white and starched, their suits conservative, their shoes polished with unusual care. The door at the end of the room opened, and the conversation ceased.

"James Smith, please."

It was a pleasant voice, certainly not one to cause apprehension. Yet it did in James Smith as he arose to answer the summons.

In the inner room he met six men. All were friendly and all greeted him cordially, as the Chairman, who was the Governor of the local Rotary District, showed him to a seat. The brief examination that followed was not unlike a prelude to ambassadorial appointment.

"Why do you want to study at the universities you have listed?" asked the Chairman. James Smith answered, and some of the judges made quick notes. What were his views on trade between the country into which he hoped to go and Communist China? More notes by the judges, then more questions.

A professor of languages, and a Rotarian, asked him a few questions in the language of the country where he hoped to study. James Smith replied in the same tongue. The professor nodded. More questions, more answers. Finally a friendly dismissal . . . and a call for the next youth.

The following day there came a congratulatory 'phone call. Our young James Smith had been chosen as the

candidate for a Rotary Foundation Fellowship from that District. If he should succeed at the international level also, then he would receive a grant that would give him a year of study abroad in one of the universities he had chosen.

Well, James Smith was an imaginary Fellow, and the preceding episode is imaginary too, but it was by just such a procedure that the 122 Rotary Fellows for 1956-57 were nominated—90 men and 32 women from 32 countries, many of whom have already unpacked their trunks for a year of advanced study in 24 different lands.

During this 1956-57 school year they will travel, give speeches, attend local Rotary functions, visit homes, but most of all—they will study. On return to their homelands they will tell of their experiences before the Rotary Clubs in the Districts which sponsored them.

All are college graduates, aged 20 to 29, alert and articulate young men and women who were chosen as the best representatives of their area from the scores of fine candidates. All, in fact, are personal ambassadors, who further strengthen the ties of international goodwill plaited by the 705 Rotary Fellows before them. Very possibly there is a Fellow in your District now—perhaps not far from your Club or your home—anxious to learn of your way of life and tell you a little of his life and people. His picture is among those on this and the following pages.



Alan J. Addicott, 21,
Fresno, Calif. (sponsor:
North Fresno),
is at Aarhus "U,"
for Danish linguistics
and literature.



Enrique Alfieri, 24,
Olevaria, Argentina,
matriculates at the
"U" of Illinois for
advanced studies in
reinforced concrete.



William K. Allen, 25,
of Ammanford, S.
Wales, goes to Mas-
sachusetts Institute of
Technology for work
in thermodynamics.



John Armstrong, 22,
Silver Spring, Md.,
gets his advanced po-
litical-science work
in India, at the
University of Delhi.



A. Ali Asgar, 25,
Wai Lai Lai, Fiji
(spouse: Suva), takes
optometry at Ore-
gon's Pacific Univer-
sity, in Forest Grove.



James Aydelotte, 22,
Memphis, Tenn., at
Euseph-Karl "U,"
Germ., for philosophi-
cal and historical
studies of religion.



Raúl R. Ballibe, 28,
La Plata, Argentina,
learns more about
neuropsychiatric clin-
ics and surgery at
"U" of Paris, France.



Francisco Barbieri T., 26, San Miguel de Tucuman, Argentina (sponsor: Tucuman), gets embryology, "U" of Brussels, Belgium.



Arthur M. Barrett, 24, of Cheltenham, Eng., attends Ohio's Western Reserve "U," to continue his studies in pharmacology.



Richard Baughman, 22, Wellesley Hills, Mass. (sponsor: Wellesley), studies in embryology at Cambridge "U," in Eng.



Lars Bergquist, 26, Lund, Sweden, plans for work in sociology—law and international relations—at "U" of Yale, Conn.



Edy B. Borges, 28, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, enrolls at Ohio State University, in Columbus, to study psychology guidance.



Albert C. Brouse, 22, Tujunga, California (spouse: Sunland-Tujunga), further studies in political science "U" of Rome, Italy.



Pierce K. Bullen, 22, of High Springs, Fla. (spouse: Gainesville), goes to Graduate Inst. of International Studies—in Switzerland.



Owen G. Carter, 23, Lismore, Australia, is at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., for advanced work in plant nutrition.



Gaetano Crepaldi, 23, of Padova, Italy, studies hematology at the University of California at Los Angeles, Calif.



Eric de Groot, 26, Eibergen, The Netherlands (sponsor: Neude), goes to "U" of Kentucky, Lexington, for metallurgy.



Jorge Del Rio H., 28, Santiago, Chile (sponsor: Providencia), at N. Y. "U," studies rehabilitation of the handicapped.



Johann M. de Wet, 26, Durban, Union of South Africa, studies law far from home—at Leiden State "U" in The Netherlands.



Alexander Dijckmeester, 27, Amsterdam, Netherlands (sponsor: Leiden), goes to Harvard "U" in Mass., for business courses.



Luigi Donato, 27, of Pisa, Italy, at Hamilton Coll. (McMaster "U"), Hamilton, Ont., takes medical use of radioisotopes.



Frederick Edgecombe, 22, London, Ont., Canada, goes to Eng., to study physical chemistry at the "U" of Cambridge.



Jimmie Lee Farmer, 24, Candenton, Mo., continues studies in voice at the Acad. of Music and Dramatic Art, Vienna, Austria.



Mary Ann Fazzone, 22, Cheshire, Conn., enrolls for international-relations work at the "U" of Lausanne, in Switzerland.



Ramón Fernández T., 27, Dos Caminos, Venezuela (sponsor: Chacoe), takes orthopedic surgery at "U" of Bologna, in Italy.



David F. Fisher, 26, Korumbura, Australia, will major in religious education at Union Theological Seminary, in N. Y.



Faye Fotos, 23, of Sparks, Nev. (sponsor: Reno), advances in her studies in education at National "U," Athens, Greece.



Fred O. Francis, 21, Bellflower, Calif., enrolls "U" of Edinburgh, Scotland, for systematic theology and Christian ethics.



Ulrich K. Gauss, 24, Stuttgart, Germany, will take his courses in the social-science field at the University of California.



William D. Gilmore, 27, Pleasant Ridge, Mich. (sponsor: Ann Arbor), studies painting at Italy's Acad. of Fine Arts, in Rome.



Maria A. Gonzales, 21, Dumaguete, The Philippines, is taking literature courses at Main National "U" of San Marcos, Peru.



Mary C. Good, 22, Oklahoma City, Okla. (spouse: N. Oklahoma City), is taking international relations at the "U" of Brussels.



Richard A. Groeneveld, 21, Westfield, N. J., matriculates at the Aberdeen "U" in Scotland, for modern European history.



Cecy M. Habice, 26, of Porto Feliz, Brazil, undertakes her penalty law studies at the University of Milan, in Italy.



Karina A. Hagman, 21, of Kokomo, Ind., studies the literature and history of France at the University of Grenoble, in France.



Maximo Halty C., 27, Montevideo, Uruguay, studies industrial productivity at University of California, Los Angeles.



Jane Ann Harris, 25, Victoria, Tex., looks at effects of international mass communications at the "U" of Geneva, Switzerland.



M. Ruth Harris, 25, Dee Why, Australia (spouse: Warringah), continues her work in economics at Cornell University in N. Y.



Jean-Georges Henrotte, 25, Liège, Belgium, takes pathological biochemistry at "U" of Rochester Medical School, N. Y.



Roger A. Hufford, 22, of Normal, Ill., goes abroad for his liberal-arts courses at the University of Durham, in England.



Patricia K. Hurten, 21, of Logan, Utah, surveys the field of international finance at the University of Cambridge, England.



Orlando Ibarra L., 28, of Tarima, Peru, majors in fruit culture at University of California College of Agriculture, in Davis.



Olive Iorns, 22, of Altrincham, England, goes to Capetown, Union of South Africa, for its university's courses in sociology.



F. Don James, 28, South Peabody, Mass. (sponsor: Peabody), takes Biblical literature at the "U" of Zurich, Switzerland.



Charles O. Jones, 23, of Canton, So. Dak., enrolled at the University of London, England, for studies in political science.



Mohan C. Joshi, 22, Banaras, India, goes to Stanford University, in California, to continue his work in the psychology field.



Yasuko Kamino, 22, Tokyo, Japan (spouse: Tokyo-West), studies English literature at Mt. Holyoke College, South Hadley, Mass.



Nicholas J. Kirkmire, 21, of Eugene, Ore. (spouse: Springfield), is at University of Aberdeen, Scotland, for work in forestry.

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Rotary's Foundation

THE 90 men and 32 women from 24 lands shown on these and the two preceding pages are the 1956-57



Jane Kirkpatrick, 22, of Kingsport, Tenn., continues her studies of modern English history at University of Wales, in Cardiff.



Charles L. Knapp, 21, Zanesville, Ohio, at Australian National "U," in Canberra, studying government and political science.



William D. Knick, 22, Taft, Calif., attends the "U" of Sydney, Australia, for his further courses in political science.



Jean-Marie Korbedau, 26, Evreux, France, matriculates at the "U" of Mont., Que., Can., for work in dental surgery.



Joan Krueger, 24, of Norfolk, Neb., takes international law at the Graduate Inst. of International Studies, Geneva, Switzerland.



Klaus R. Kruger, 26, Saarbrücken, Saarland, enrolls at Ill. Institute of Technology, Chicago, for his architecture courses.



Elliot Leader, 21, of Johannesburg, Union of South Africa, at Calif. Inst. of Tech., Pasadena, majors in theoretical physics.



Ronald J. Lorimer, 25, Edenbridge, Eng. (spouse: Tonbridge), is at "U" of Wisconsin, to study various aspects of geography.



Mary K. Loubris, 22, Clearfield, Pa., does her graduate work in English literature at Oxford University in Oxford, England.



Olan B. Lowrey, 26, Elgin, Tex. (sponsor: Waco), goes to University of Dublin, in Ireland for his new studies in law.



Norman MacLeod, 22, By Cupar, Scotland (spouse: St. Andrews), gets his work in electronics at Case Inst. of Tech., Ohio.



Richard D. Magee, 23, Newton, Pa., pursues his field of study—clinical psychology—at the University of London, in England.



Richard C. Marcus, 23, Martel, Tenn. (spouse: Lenoir City), enters "U" of Strasbourg, France, for his work in church history.



James A. Matzen, 25, Park Rapids, Minn., goes to the College of Europe, in Bruges, Belgium, for international-relations work.



Alpo M. Miettunen, 25, Turku, Finland (spouse: Turun Linna-Abo Slott), gets accounting and economics at Harvard "U."



Maria Ann Million, 22, Corning, Calif., is majoring in education at American University of Beirut in Beirut, Lebanon.



Antonio Moreira Reis, 25, Recife, Brazil, is at the Institute of Political Studies in Paris, France, for political-science study.



Barry John Moughton, 24, Pinner, England, takes law of international institutions at McGill "U," Montreal, Que., Can.



Bill Don Moyers, 22, Marshall, Tex., goes to the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, for courses in religion and philosophy.



Peter Murdoch, 24, Burnside, Scotland (spouse: Rutherglen), studies theoretical physics at Princeton University, in N. J.



Kappiareth Nair, 25, Bombay, India, looks into the newer drugs in cardiovascular disease at Harvard Medical School, in Mass.



S. Natty Nair, 24, North Parus, India (spouse: Parur), continues his work in entomology at Purdue "U," Lafayette, Ind.



Richard E. Neff, 23, of Middletown, Ohio, will do graduate work in political science at the University of Nancy, in France.



Ivo M. Pannacciulli, 28, Genoa, Italy, is engaged in studies of blood diseases at the University of London, in England.



Louise Pegoraro, 25, Sudbury, Ont., Can., studies botany, morphology, physiology, and biochemistry at "U" of Milan, Italy.



John A. Petropoulos, 26, of Lewiston, Me. (sponsor: Lewiston-Auburn), takes history at National "U" of Athens, in Greece.



Arni B. Pietrusson, 27, Copenhagen, Denmark, further studies in business administration at the "U" of Illinois, at Urbana.



Henriette Poetsch, 24, Pelotas, Brazil, goes to University of Alabama, in Birmingham; for courses in dentistry for children.



Lucio Pollici, 26, of Bari, Italy, takes his major—surgery of the chest—at the University of Chicago, in Illinois.



David H. Prest, 25, Helmsdale, Australia (spouse: Adelaide), is at Southampton University, in England, for education work.



René Quiros Pérez, 23, Guanabacoa, Cuba, is at Harvard "U," in Cambridge, Mass., for finance and economics study.



James T. Ream, 27, Somerset, Pa., matriculates at University of Rome, Italy, for further study in the field of architecture.



Rudy Richter de Leon, 22, of Quetzaltenango, Guatemala, goes to Textile Eng. School, Germany, for needlework fabrics.



James E. Rich, Jr., 25, Charlotte, N. C. is at Main National "U" of San Marcos, Lima, Peru, studying government and law.



Karin-Elisabeth Rohr, 23, Hagen (Ems), Germany (spouse: Hagen/Westfalen), studies law at Columbia "U," N. Y.



John W. Rooney, Jr., 25, Montgomery, Ala., will go to "U" of Louvain, Belgium, for his study of modern French history.



Idan Roriz, 27, of Anapolis, Brasil, is at the "U" of Kansas Medical Center, in Kansas, for studies in ophthalmology.

Fellows for 1956-57

winners of Rotary Foundation Fellowships which give them a year of study in lands not their own.



Ghassan M. Sadar, 28, of Damascus, Syria, goes on for his new studies in general surgery at New York University, in N. Y.



John F. Schnabel, 24, Madison, Ind., matriculates at the "U" of Edinburgh, Scotland, for work in church history.



Alex R. Seith, 22, of Aurora, Ill., is at the University of Munich, in Germany, to take his courses in advanced philosophy.



Gabrielle J. Sellers, 22, of Toronto, Ont., Can. (spouse: Eglington [Toronto]), will work in modern history at Oxford, Eng.



Sally Ann Simmons, 22, Mt. Olive, N. C., will be engaged in the study of mathematics at the "U" of Liège, Belgium.



Robert B. Sims, 21, of Alamo, Tenn., gets his advanced study in social science at the University of Sydney, in Australia.



Joan F. Skelton, 22, of Scranton, Pa., is major in sociology at Central University of Venezuela, in Caracas.



Carl E. Stenberg, 28, Mt. Hermon, Mass. (spouse: Greenfield), attends Queens "U," in North Ireland, for English literature.



W. Chandler Stevens, Jr., 23, Mansfield, Ohio, takes business administration and economics at "U" of Birmingham, in Eng.



Nelson R. Sulouff, 27, Gettysburg, Pa. (spouse: Sunbury), major in theology at the University of St. Andrews, Scotland.



Joaquin Tolavera S., 25, Córdoba, Mexico, is enrolled at University of Paris, in France, for social and political science.



Muriel D. Taylor, 21, Collingwood, N. J., enters Zurich University, Switzerland, for biochemistry, anatomy, and physiology.



Bruce W. Thielemann, 23, Pittsburgh, Pa. (spouse: North Side [Pittsburgh]), takes theology at St. Andrews "U," Scot.



Huynh Trung Thiet, 28, Saigon, Vietnam, goes to the University of Rome, Italy, to study new architectural techniques.



Vincent W. Thorpe, 23, of Los Angeles, Calif. (spouse: Westchester [L.A.]), enters Bombay "U" for political science.



Philip Toogood, 21, St. Albans, England, continues his study of international relations at Toulouse University, in France.



Martha A. Traverso, 24, Vedia, Argentina, goes to Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Md., for her pediatrics work.



Andre A. Treyer, 22, Boulogne, France (spouse: Paris), takes engineering at the California Inst. of Tech., in Pasadena.



Gonzalo Uquillas B., 27, Quito, Ecuador, is at the University of the Republic, in Montevideo, Uruguay, for orthopedics.



Mary C. Vandegrift, 22, of Grand Island, Neb., takes courses in social work at the University of Edinburgh, in Scotland.



Louis J. Veres, 24, Windsor, Ont., Can., studies international relations and modern history at the "U" of Melbourne, Australia.



C. Dale Vinyard, 23, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, pursues studies of political science at the University of Edinburgh, in Scotland.



Walther von Dietz, 25, Hamburg-Ge. Flottbek (spouse: Hamburg), takes personnel study at Cornell "U," N. Y.



James S. Walker, 23, Tucson, Ariz., will make study of New Testament and Exegesis at the University of Basel, Switzerland.



Alison M. Wallace, 23, Monkseaton, Eng. (spouse: Whitley Bay), is at the "U" of Mainz, Germany, to study interpreting.



James I. Warren, Jr., 22, Roanoke, N. C., crosses the Atlantic to study theology at the University of Glasgow, in Scotland.



Richard B. Webb, Jr., 27, Canon City, Colo., goes to Nat'l Autonomous "U" of Mexico for new work in literature and culture.



Andrew L. White, 22, Darwen, England, matriculates at "U" of Munich, Germany, to study modern German novel since 1900.



Elizabeth Ann Winegar, 24, Moscow, Idaho, goes to "U" of London, Eng., for her advanced work in field of zoology.



Suzanne M. Wolf, 24, Lathrop, Mo., enrolls at the Conservatory of Music, in Milan, Italy, for voice, opera, and Italian.



Margaret J. Wolfe, 22, Roodhouse, Ill., takes advanced political-science studies at the University of Strasbourg, in France.



Edward R. Wright, Jr., 25, Atlanta, Ga. (spouse: Decatur), is at Strasbourg "U" in France for international relations.



Faith Wright, 25, of Pittsford, N. Y., will go to the Graduate Institute of International Studies, in Geneva, Switzerland.



Toshio Yoshimura, 22, Yokohama, Japan, attends Cornell "U" in Ithaca, N.Y., to further international-economics studies.



John A. Ziegler, 23, of New Athens, Ill., studies in the field of political science at the University of St. Andrews, in Scotland.



At the Rotary Club of Cranston, R. I., two Bedouin-garbed students lend color to a talk by Miss Susan Armstrong about life in Syria.



Photo: Studio Times

In Colombo, Ceylon, 1955-56 Club President K. Somasuntharam presents a radio to a New Zealand-trained nurse on behalf of Rotarians of Auckland, New Zealand, during Fellowship Week.

EVERY little bit HELPS



An invitation to World Fellowship Week—October 21-27

... plus notes on how Rotary Clubs marked it last year.

AS President of Rotary International, I invite Rotarians of all countries to share in this traditional demonstration of Rotary in action. Let us make World Fellowship Week in Rotary Service an outstanding event of our year, a special opportunity to learn more about each other.

During this Week, Rotary Clubs in every land are asked to devote their weekly meetings to serious consideration of ways to encourage and foster international understanding.

During this Week, individual Rotarians are urged to exchange gestures of goodwill with Rotarians in countries other than their own.

During this Week, Rotary Clubs in communities around the world are challenged to mobilize the support of public opinion in the cause of peace and freedom.

May the inspiration and the impact of this joint and simultaneous demonstration produce a profound impression upon the peoples of the earth through the knowledge that in fellowship with each other, all can contribute to a just and lasting peace.

Gian Paolo Lang

President, Rotary International

A student seminar on a topic of world interest—a project of the Rotary Club of Nilgiris, India.



IT COULD be reminiscent of the old and off-told story of the French village in which the parishioners decided to honor their priest by each one bringing to the parish house a bottle of wine to replenish the pastor's wine barrel. The pastor was delighted, and asked all to join him in a glass of wine from the newly filled barrel.

But when the tap was opened, only water came out. Each parishioner had brought water instead of wine—thinking that all the others would bring wine and that one bottle of water would never be noticed.

It could—but it won't—work that way when Rotary observes World Fellowship Week in Rotary Service, October 21-27. Each of Rotary's 9,183 Clubs and their 434,000 members knows that every little bit helps when you're trying to improve international understanding.

This year, at least, Rotary Clubs will observe the Week in a great variety of ways. Three suggestions for 1956 were listed in THE ROTARIAN for September, 1956, page 13. And ideas from the 1955 observance, adaptable to the coming one, are almost without number. For instance, the Rotary Club of Kobe, Japan, was one of hundreds of Clubs which initiated and reported on correspondence with Clubs in other lands. Individuals, too, told of their letter-writing programs—among them, Ian Strange, of Antioch, California. Reports were stimulating and made fine material for an International Service program.

Students from other lands studying in near-by colleges and universities contributed to World Fellowship Week programs in the Rotary Clubs of Northfield, Minn.; Cuttack, India; and Plano, Ill., either as guests or as panel-discus-

The Fellowship Week project of the Rotary Club of St. Louis, Mo., was this downtown window display.



Photo: Stevens

OCTOBER, 1956



Many Clubs host or attend intercity meetings during World Fellowship Week, such as the one sponsored by the Rotary Club of Tegal, Indonesia, last year. Members of four Clubs heard an address by a former Rotary Foundation Fellow.



Guest speakers for a World Fellowship Week meeting of the Rotary Club of Red Bank, N. J., represent Germany, Denmark, Iran, India, Pakistan, and Thailand. Standing at the far left is Robert de la Reussile, the 1955-56 Club President.

sion participants. The Rotary Club of Salem, India, sponsored an elocution contest among local students during the week.

The Rotary Clubs of Madras, India; Coronado, Calif.; and Midland, Tex., hosted people from other lands in meetings which featured speeches on world fellowship. The Rotary Clubs of Oswego, N. Y.; Alliance, Ohio; Hawthorn, Australia; and Tiruchirapalli, India, also programmed speeches on the international-goodwill theme during the Week.

The Rotary Club of Baldwin, Kansas, planted a tree commemorating the birthday of the United Nations as a World Fellowship Week activity. An attractive display was installed in a downtown window by the Rotary Club of Vancouver, B. C., Canada.

Special publications marked the

Week for several Clubs. The Rotary Club of Lahore, Pakistan, published a special edition of its Club magazine, an attractive, 24-page booklet on the history of the United Nations. A study of Anglo-American relations was made by the Rotary Club of Glasgow, Scotland, and the report was sent to various Clubs. The Rotary Club of Hokitika, New Zealand, printed a small booklet showing the dates and meeting places of all Clubs in Rotary Districts 39 and 40 for the benefit of travelling Rotarians.

These are only a few of the possible projects for you or for your Club, but many imaginative International Service Chairmen have already formulated their Club's plans for this special manifestation of fellowship among men in 99 countries . . . remembering well that every little bit helps.



for you A Model U.N. Assembly

A how-to-do-it story detailing a blueprint for International Service. The plan was drawn by the Rotary Club of Hillsdale, Michigan, U.S.A. The photos are by Robert Cardoff. The text is by Harvey C. Jacobs.



SECOND, after study, selection of the country they will represent, and many a briefing session, the students pour in on Hillsdale. Here, registering, is part of the "Guatemala delegation." The hats are supposed to be a Guatemalan touch.

College students of the International Relations Club at the registration tables explain program details, hand out room assignments, give campus directions, and provide leadership too. Members also helped process the letters of invitation as they went out (letters go to Rotary Clubs as well as to high schools) and handled the registrations as they came in. The college houses all the delegates—to the limit of its facilities—but Rotarians take care of many of them.



FOURTH, the students manage their own meetings. Here they are electing the President of the General Assembly and the rapporteurs for the committee sessions. Each candidate made a one-minute speech telling why he wanted the office.

Behind the speaker's stand is the table for the two Assistant Secretaries General. Below, there is a table for the pages. Several years ago the delegates' abuse of the privilege of sending messages to other delegates on the floor—passing notes about a banquet "date," for example—was cause for inception of a "board of censorship." Legitimate messages, however, are passed quickly and without confusion.

FIRST, if you want to sponsor a Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA), as many Rotary Clubs have, and assemble hundreds of high-school youngsters for a two-day session which probes the recesses of misunderstanding, you need help!

In Hillsdale—where this MUNA began in 1948—that help comes from (1) the Rotary Club of Hillsdale; (2) at least 60 other Rotary Clubs in Michigan and Ohio which assist local students to make the trip; (3) Hillsdale College; (4) the College International Relations Club.

Hillsdale's MUNA convenes in March, but even as you read this the men in this picture—and others, too—are starting the wheels to turn. They are Rotarian W. H. Roberts (right), creator and director of MUNA in Hillsdale and head of the history department of the College, and (left to right) Rotarians Lehman Swinehart, William Kemp, Gerald Kincaid, and Laurence Taylor.



THIRD, you must have a "hall"—or hire one! Hillsdale uses the college church.

Cast in the rôles of representatives of far-away lands, the students are sometimes tempted by the melodramatic possibilities. Last year when Secretary General Richard Hill read greetings from the President of Rotary International, from Michigan's Senators and Governor, and from the White House, the Russian delegation attempted to present greetings from Russian Premier Bulganin and party chief Khrushchev. The chairman refused to recognize it, stating that he would read only genuine telegrams. The "Russians" slipped out and brought back the "greetings." The chairman read the "telegram"—even though Khrushchev's name was misspelled. But, for the most part, it's a serious meeting—serious and amazingly deep.

FI FTH, high-school youngsters like to talk—as does this one representing Russia! Sometimes they take their assignments a little too seriously, and the other delegates can't hold back the laughter. But a strong presiding officer can keep things under control.

Without exception, however, the teacher-advisors appraise the Assembly as an excellent teaching aid, particularly in social studies and world affairs. They point out that their students have become deeply interested in other areas of the world, mostly because they are able to dramatize their interest through MUNA. At least half a dozen students who have been active in MUNA have continued their academic studies into related areas and are making plans to enter diplomatic service.

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SIXTH, there are always a few dramatic moments—such as this one when the French delegation, angered when the Assembly refused to remove debate of the Algerian question from the agenda, stalked from the hall.

Here its members are being interviewed by a reporter from the local newspaper.

A superficial observer might call this high-school histrionics, but these youngsters become possessed with the rôle they are playing and with the causes they are temporarily serving. Months of study in preparation for assuming representation of a certain country has its effect: these students practically become other people—seeing the world's problems through new eyes.

SEVENTH, every MUNA needs an advisor and counsellor with the wisdom and experience of Dr. W. H. Roberts—"Rob" to his fellow Rotarians. Here he is briefing the recently elected committee chairmen and rapporteurs.

They are, left to right, Jack Davis, Lansing (Eastern), chairman of Ad Hoc Political Committee—representing Russia; Allan McFarlane, Milford, rapporteur of Political and Security Committee—Canada; Olga Roudoy, Berkeley, rapporteur of Trusteeship Committee—Syria; Tom Detwyler, Jackson, chairman of Political and Security Committee—Bolivia; Bonnie Dyer, Lansing (Sexton), rapporteur of Ad Hoc Political Committee—Ecuador; and James Copeland, Ann Arbor, chairman of Trusteeship Committee—Guatemala.



AND, finally, give them plenty of food and fellowship—as Hillsdale does. It gives them a banquet, a night of swimming, time to relax in their dormitories, and other "fun" events. Hillsdale's MUNA is filled with the brightness and lightness of young people, but it's much more than fun. It is future citizens building sound foundations on which they can understand and direct world affairs.



PEEPS

at Things to Come

BY ROGER W. TRUESDALE, PH.D.

■ **Pop-on Adhesive.** One of the handiest gadgets is an adhesive dispensing "fountain pen" which pops on about 5,000 sticky dots without refilling. This pliable plastic pen ejects a dot of rubber cement each time it is tapped where cement is desired. Supplied with a cap, it can be carried in the pocket. A few of its uses include mounting photographs in albums, inserting in scrapbooks, sealing envelopes and parcels, attaching stamps, and replacing paper clips. It is suggested for printers, students, editors, art workers, and hobbyists as it sticks almost anything to anything and avoids the mess and waste of most adhesives. Excessive rubber cement can be rubbed off and will not soil the fingers.

■ **Never-Fade Ink.** A writing fluid that cannot be removed from paper even though made invisible by eradication or water damage has been perfected. The new ink contains a luminescent additive which grips the paper fiber even when all other ingredients of the ink are removed to make the writing disappear. When exposed to ultraviolet light, the additive glows, showing the writing at full strength. The new product, both the permanent and the washable types, will provide greater protection for both personal and business use, since documents and records water damaged by floods or fire fighting can be restored. Illegal alterations of documents written in this ink are particularly difficult.

■ **Beyond the Horizon.** An industrial designer has predicted that in the not-too-distant future it will be possible to talk a letter into a typewriter or dictating machine and get an accurately and neatly typed letter out the other end, have an automobile which will hover a few feet off the ground and reach its destination with the aid of an IBM card which will keep it "on the beam," and magnetize dirt in the home and through a push-button magnetic vacuum cleaner collect it.

■ **Allergies Nipped in Bud.** Recent medical studies indicate that a tendency to develop such allergic disorders as asthma may be inherited. Means are being sought, therefore, to forestall the occurrence of allergies in children with family histories of allergic disease. The search already has resulted in valuable findings, according to current clinical reports. One authority, for instance, recommends that the expectant mother of a potentially allergic child should avoid certain foods during pregnancy. Where the preventive approach fails, effective medical treatment can bring relief. Doc-

tors report that drugs such as Bristamin safely and quickly alleviate the symptoms of allergic youngsters and adults alike.

■ **Write on the Walls!** Who cares whether the children or grandchildren write on the walls? A chalkboard paint transforms any surface into a blackboard just by strokes of a brush. This new easy-to-apply paint creates the same slate-like writing-surface qualities of expensive chalkboard. The new coating takes chalk erasing with an ordinary eraser and can be washed or scrubbed without harm to the finish. It can be used on children's playroom walls, to provide handy write-on areas in kitchens or near telephones, or to make inexpensive writing boards from plywood, wallboard, or metal. It is available in conventional black or eye-ease green.

■ **Poison Becomes Preventive.** A chemical known as tubocurarine has been refined from curare, the poison used by South American Indian tribes for arrow poisoning. Today, however, oral surgeons are using this curare derivative to overcome the pain and swelling that follow the removal of an impacted wisdom tooth. The *Journal of the American Dental Association* reports that only one injection of tubocurarine usually reduced swelling and made it easier for the patient to open his jaws for eating and talking.

■ **Latex Concrete.** A new contribution to the ever-expanding realm of "do-it-yourself" is a universal patching and topping material which enables anyone to repair quickly and easily cracks or holes in walls, concrete or cement floors, driveways, walks, or steps, or resurfacing large areas indoors or out. No chipping or roughing existing surfaces is necessary to assure a good bond, and it

is self-curing. It is said to adhere also to wood, metal, stone, or glass, and can be applied over damp or dry surfaces. The product comes in a complete kit that includes ten pounds of a special cementitious material and setting agents, along with a quart can of liquid rubber latex and a handy trowel. The material is easy to mix in amounts from a thimbleful to the complete lot according to simple instructions. Produces a concrete color finish which does not crack during severe temperature changes.

■ **Dried Pineapple Juice.** A California canning company is reported to have in operation a pilot plant which is producing powdered pineapple juice for taste-evaluation tests. Successful production of dried pineapple juice would assure tremendous savings in transportation costs since pineapple juice is approximately 90 percent water. Retention of the delicate flavor characteristics of the fresh juice has thwarted previous attempts to spray-dry it.

PEEP-ettes

—From 90 to 150 parts go into the fabrication of a parachute; most "chutes" are made entirely of nylon, which imparts strength, shock resistance, and elasticity; the average landing "chute" may cost \$700, the average personnel one sells for \$225; and disposable cargo and deceleration "chutes" may be made of cotton or paper.

—A Colorado honey packer who is marketing honey in an eight-ounce polyethylene squeeze bottle claims consumers consider it a more attractive, durable, and serviceable package—please pass the squeeze bottle for our waffle.

—Rats given water containing 20 times as much fluoride as is present in fluoridated water for human use were not affected in terms of body growth, thyroid condition, or blood composition.

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Readers wishing further information about any product mentioned may address inquiries to "Peeps," THE ROTARIAN Magazine, 1600 Ridge Avenue, Evanston, Illinois. They will be promptly forwarded to the manufacturer.

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In road tests up to 100 miles an hour, a bundle of fishing rods didn't even budge from the car top when fastened to neoprene sponge-rubber blocks in which two strong permanent magnets had been embedded. The carrier can be removed by rolling back the sponge. Tie-down cords can be replaced if they get frayed or torn.

THE TONGUES OF

WHEN the 434,000 Rotarians of the world sit down for their weekly meetings, how many languages do they employ? The French Academy estimates 2,796 possibilities. If we subtract the 1,000 American Indian dialects, the 500 African Negro tongues and an equal number for Pacific Islanders, we are down to about 790. But how many of these would a man have to master to be linguistically at home in all of Rotary's 9,183 Clubs in 99 countries?

That was the question the Rotary Information Committee of my Club decided to try to answer sometime ago. Soon, however, we found ourselves rephrasing it to: How many languages do Rotarians use officially, or semiofficially, in the conduct of their weekly meetings? We made that "semiofficial" qualification in order to include languages spoken commonly by groups within Clubs, even though they may play no part in the conduct of meetings.

In the beginning we thought our question would be easy to answer. We were a bit naive, I guess. Before we were through we had had to write to Rotary leaders all over six continents, and to pull many a book on languages out of our local library. Even now we aren't willing to swear that our findings are 100 percent correct. You see, there isn't any official list of the tongues of Rotary, and, for reasons that will be apparent, there can't be. Still, for what they are worth, we happily share our findings with you, believing that they will make clearer to some Rotarians the wonderful internationality of Rotary.

You might like to start with the knowledge that earth's 2½ billion inhabitants speak close to 3,000 languages, as the French Academy figures, but that these 3,000 fall into nine groups:

1. INDO-EUROPEAN. This includes the Romance languages (French, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese, *et al.*) Germanic (English, German), Balto-Slavic (Russian), Indo-Aryan (Hindi, Urdu), and still others.

2. SEMITO-HAMITIC. The Semitic branch includes such languages as Arabic, Hebrew, Amharic, Phoenician, and Aramaic. Aramaic, the language spoken by Jesus of Nazareth, and Phoenician, which gave us our alphabet, are extinct—or nearly so. The main Hamitic languages are ancient Egyptian, with its descendant Coptic, and Berber (Libyan).

3. URAL-ALTAIC. Finnish, Lapp, and Hungarian are the best-known Uralic languages in this group. Turkish is Altaic.

4. JAPANESE-KOREAN. Includes languages of the same names.

How many languages do the 9,183 Clubs use weekly?

Here are some unofficial but valuable findings.

5. SINO-TIBETAN. Chinese, Burmese, Siamese. Chinese, with its many dialects, is spoken by some 500 million people.

6. DRavidIAN. These languages are spoken by millions of people in Southeast India and Northern Ceylon. Telugu, Tamil, and Kanarese are most important, in that order.

7. MALAYO-POLYNESIAN. Four primary subdivisions: Indonesian, Melanesian, Micronesian, and Polynesian. These languages are used by peoples inhabiting islands, great and small, lying off the Southeast coast of Asia and scattered far and wide through the Pacific.

8. AMERICAN INDIAN.

9. AFRICAN NEGRO.

Many important languages of ancient times are, as you know, now as dead as the Dodo. On the other hand, some of the languages current today have achieved their place in the sun only recently. English, for example. Now spoken in all corners of the earth, its use was limited to the inhabitants of England only 400 years ago.

Now, with this brief background we should be better able to comprehend the remarkable linguistic triumph Rotary has achieved, a triumph so complete that Rotarians now speak in their weekly meetings all the world's most important languages except one—Russian.

Fifty-one years ago when Paul Harris and his friends started the first Rotary Club in Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A., English was the language of Rotary. Ten years later, although there were by then 133 Rotary Clubs, Rotarians were still monolingual. It was not until the following year (1916) that the first Rotary Club was organized in a non-English-speaking country—El Club Rotario de la Havana. Spanish thus was the second language of Rotary.

From 1916 on, linguistic events moved with remarkable speed in the Rotary world as new Clubs were organized in Uruguay (1918); China, India, and The Philippines (1919); South Africa, Mexico, Peru, Denmark (1921); and Brazil, Norway, and The Netherlands (1922).

Today, with 9,183 Clubs and 434,000 Rotarians in 99 countries and geographical areas, the language picture is complex, and somewhat like a jigsaw puzzle. Many of the pieces fit nicely into place, but others do not. This is so partly be-

cause Rotary is entering new countries all the time. Another reason is that in some lands whose earliest Clubs spoke English, the new Clubs speak the local tongue. Furthermore, events are moving so rapidly in this world of changing hegemonies that some Clubs have shifted from one language to another without being able immediately to inform Rotary International. Hence the uncertainty in the over-all picture.

But let us take as close a look at it as we can, continent by continent, in an effort to produce an answer to our question: How many languages are used by Rotarians officially, or semiofficially, the world around in the conduct of their weekly meetings?

NORTH AMERICA.—Rotarians on that continent use three languages: English, Spanish, and French. You will be interested to know that some Clubs in Quebec use French exclusively, some use both French and English, and some use English exclusively. Here is the continental score:

English: Canada, United States of America, Bermuda.

Spanish: Mexico, Cuba, Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Honduras, El Salvador, Costa Rica, Panama.

French: Canada.

SOUTH AMERICA.—Rotarians use three languages: Portuguese, Spanish, and Dutch. Here is the continental score:

Portuguese: Brazil.

Dutch: Surinam and the Netherlands West Indies (Curacao, Aruba).

Spanish: Colombia, Venezuela, Ecuador, Peru, Chile, Bolivia, Paraguay, Uruguay, Argentina.

AFRICA.—The Rotarians of Africa use six languages in the conduct of their meetings: Arabic, French, English, Amharic, Portuguese, and Afrikaans (a variant of Dutch). Explaining the status of Afrikaans, Thomas D. Hall, of Johannesburg, who was District Governor when we launched our study, tells us: "Two languages are used in this 25th District: English in most of the Clubs, but Afrikaans and English in a dozen or more. We have as yet no Club which uses Afrikaans only, but some of the new Clubs we expect to form in the country districts may do so." Here is the continental score:

Arabic: Egypt, Sudan.

French: Tunisia, Algeria, French Morocco, French West Africa, Belgian Congo.

English: Kenya, Tanganyika, Northern Rhodesia, Southern Rhodesia, South West Africa, Union of South Africa, Nyasaland.

Amharic: Ethiopia.

Portuguese: Angola.

Afrikaans: Rhodesia, Union of South Africa.

EUROPE: The Rotarians of Europe use

AN INTERNATIONAL SERVICE FEATURE

ROTARY . . .

By PAUL R. CUTRIGHT

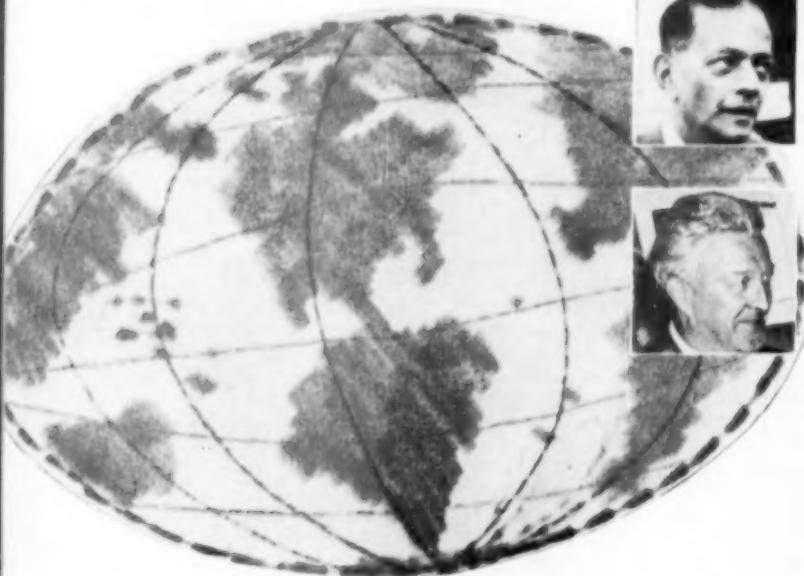
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at least 16 languages in their meetings, although three of these (Gaelic, Welsh, and Flemish) only informally. Since many Europeans are polylingual, it is not unusual for more than one language, sometimes three or four, to be used by a single Club. Switzerland—where Rotary will hold its international Convention next May—is unique in having four official languages: German, French, Italian, and Romansh (Rheeto-Romanic). The latter, like other Romance languages, stems from Latin. It is spoken in Switzerland along the Italian-Austrian border. Here is the continental score:

Finnish: Finland.
Swedish: Sweden.
Norwegian: Norway.
Danish: Denmark.
Icelandic: Iceland.
English: British Isles, Northern Ireland, Eire.
German: Austria, Germany, Saar, Switzerland.
French: France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Monaco.
Dutch: The Netherlands.
Flemish: Belgium.
Welsh: Wales.
Gaelic: Eire.
Romansh: Switzerland.
Portuguese: Portugal.
Italian: Italy, Switzerland.
Greek: Greece.

ASIA AND AUSTRALASIA.—The remainder of the world where Rotary's banner flies includes Asia and the islands or peninsulas of Japan, Korea, Taiwan, The Philippines, the Indonesian Republic, Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, Samoa, and the Marianas (Guam). In the five



last mentioned English alone is used.

Asia is the most difficult to catalog Rotary-wise because of the changing conditions previously mentioned. Beginning in the west of Asia, Turkish is the language of Turkey and of its one Club, Ankara. To the south are Syria, Lebanon, Israel, and Jordan, where Arabic, English, French, and Hebrew are heard in Rotary meetings. To the southeast are Iraq, with the Baghdad Club using Arabic, and Iran, with the Teheran Club using Persian. So we move along to Pakistan and India. The native languages of these countries, as already explained, fall into two large groups: Indo-Aryan and Dravidian. The former includes Hindi, Urdu, Gujarati, and Marathi among others. Hindi is a deliberately Sanskritized form of Hindustani and is the chief vernacular of Northern India, spoken by more than 60 million people (Hindus). Urdu is the Persianized Moslem form of Hindustani. Gujarati and Marathi are also Sanskritic in origin and are spoken in the Northern and Western parts of India.

The Dravidian languages, it is thought, were the original languages of India. Two of these, Telugu and Tamil, are used by Rotarians in their meetings.

Moving farther east we come to Burma, where Burmese is the main language, with English second and French third. Moving still farther east, we arrive in District 46, which embraces Thailand, Vietnam, Singapore, Federation of Malaya, Sarawak, North Borneo, and Brunel. The language used in Rotary in Thailand, Malaya, Singapore, and Borneo is English. In Vietnam it's French.

In the offshore countries the following languages are used: Indonesian Republic: Indonesian, English, and Dutch; Taiwan: Chinese and English; The Philippines: English and Tagalog; Japan: Japanese; Korea: Korean and English. Here is the continental score:

English: Australia, New Zealand, India, The Philippines, Taiwan, and all the others afore indicated.
Turkish: Turkey.
Arabic: Syria, Lebanon, Israel, Iraq.
Hebrew: Israel.
Hindi: India, Pakistan.
Urdu: India, Pakistan.
Marathi: India, Pakistan.
Gujarati: India, Pakistan.
Telugu: India.
Tamil: India, Ceylon.
Burmese: Burma.
Indonesian: Indonesian Republic.
Tagalog: The Philippines.
Chinese: Formosa.
Japanese: Japan.
Korean: Korea.
Dutch: Indonesian Republic, Netherlands New Guinea.
Portuguese: Macao.
French: Syria, Vietnam.
Persian: Iran.

So—how many languages do Rotarians now use in their weekly meetings world-wide? Approximately 35, and that number may be larger by the time you read this! If anybody needs evidence that Rotary has a deep universal appeal, what more could he ask?

Speaking of BOOKS

This month's reviews take you from Himalayan peaks down to the depths of city slums.

By JOHN T. FREDERICK

THE international character of our bookshelf this month is suggested by the first book on the list: *Adventures of a Slum Fighter*, by Charles F. Palmer, a Past District Governor of Rotary International. The author pioneered modern slum clearance in Atlanta, Georgia, but in the course of his study of the problem he visited Italy, Russia, Austria, England, and other countries and learned what was being done there.

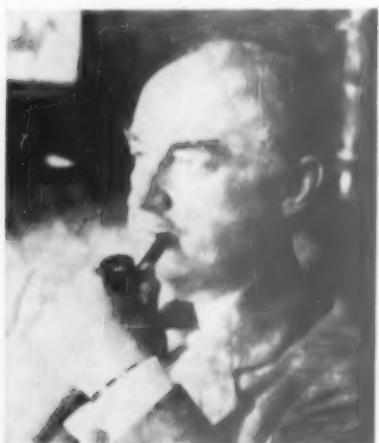
"We have often found that Providence acts through the Rotary Clubs," he was told by one religiously inspired leader of slum clearance in England, Miss Evelyn E. Perry. She went on to name an impressive list of Rotary Clubs and Rotarians who had contributed significantly to the movement.

From the first the double benefits of slum clearance were clear to Charles Palmer—the social and the economic. A slum, he saw, is a community liability of the first magnitude—a breeder of crime, disease, fire hazard, and other evils. The same area transformed into decency and use can be a positive economic asset. Palmer's account of his campaigns for slum clearance is lively reading—not least so when he recounts

his collisions with governmental red tape. It is highlighted by candid snapshots of notables: Lewis Silkin of England, Kagawa of Japan, Franklin D. Roosevelt and many others of the United States. It not only makes it clear that the slum-clearance job is far from completed—it suggests some of the reasons why. It seems to me an effective, valuable, and constructive book in a field of major importance.

Another forthright and substantial book on a major subject is *The Meaning of Bandung*, by Carlos P. Romulo, a Past Third Vice-President of Rotary International and a member of the Rotary Club of Manila, The Philippines. Too many of us in the Western world have signally failed to grasp the significance of that crucial Conference of 1955. General Romulo's brief book presents clearly the facts of what took place at Bandung, and points out frankly and forcefully the meaning for the Western nations of each aspect of the Conference. He writes with complete authority, for his was a major influence at the Conference; and as always he writes ably. But this time he writes gravely, for the subject is full of gravity. To the degree that the West fails to understand the meaning of Bandung, Carlos Romulo makes it clear, it is missing opportunity that is not likely to come again. It would be outside my province to try to analyze the findings of this book or to comment on them, but it is clearly appropriate for me to urge thoughtful Rotarians to ponder it.

The lands affected by the Bandung Conference in varying degree are subjects of a handful of various books which stand next on our shelf. John Clark's *Hunza: Lost Kingdom of the Himalayas* is a detailed account of a little-known region and its people—an account sometimes richly interesting in portrayal of character and actual experience, sometimes a bit querulous in its account of conflict with officialdom. As an example of what "economic aid to undeveloped regions" could mean at its best, in the hands of dedicated administrators possessed of vision and



Rotarian Charles F. Palmer, of Atlanta, Ga.—author of *The Adventures of a Slum Fighter* reviewed on these pages.

skill, this book is deeply suggestive.

The Great Barrier Reef of Australia has fascinated me ever since I first read of it in my geography book more than 50 years ago. *The Coast of Coral*, by Arthur G. Clarke, is a highly readable and highly personal account of explorations of that fabulous region. William Albert Robinson's *To the Great Southern Sea*, the story of a voyage by sail from Tahiti eastward toward Cape Horn—on the route of old-time square-riggers—I found slightly disappointing in quality of writing and flavor of experience; but it is an eventful story of real adventure such as few of our day have known. All three of these books are truly noteworthy for their illustrations: the magnificent mountains and attractive people of Hunza, the rich and strange life of the Great Barrier Reef—some of it shown in color—and the sailing ship *Varus* with her ship's company and her ports of call.

Underwater exploration and photography played an important part in Arthur Clarke's visits to the Great Barrier Reef. The whole story of diving ancient and modern, of submarine



Western U. S. vacation lands are described in one of this month's books.

craft, of the part played by diving in the modern exploration of caves, forms the rich subject matter of James Dugan's *Man under the Sea*—a treatment ranging from the days of Alexander the Great to modern skin diving.

As in his earlier book, *The Great Iron Ship*, Dugan demonstrates his exceptional ability to organize great masses of information in clear and orderly fashion, and to give facts the vitality of truly dramatic treatment. There's the story of the Confederate submarines that tried to break the blockade of Charleston, for example—a fascinating bit of heroism and history that I had never read of before; there's

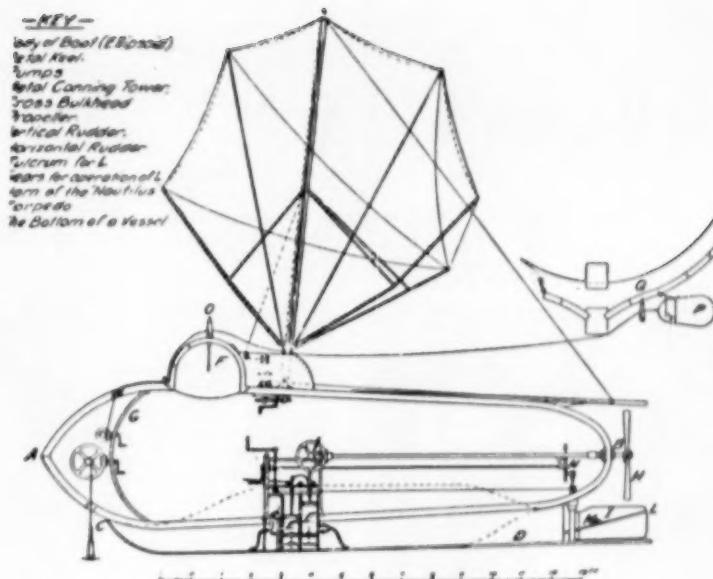
the whole amazing new science of underseas archaeology—the light being thrown on the ancient world by the study—with the aid of modern methods—of ancient wrecks on the bottom of the Mediterranean—wine ships, warships, freighters undisturbed, some of them, since the days of Hannibal. There's the other world-ranging and swiftly growing area of new knowledge as with the aid of new instruments and methods men map the ocean floor—that major fraction of the earth's surface which until recent decades had been almost wholly unknown. I hope I've told enough about this book to suggest that for those who like to learn while they're being entertained, this book is truly a gold mine.

Joseph Lindon Smith, a gifted painter who made his special field the portrayal of ancient art as revealed by the study of the past and who worked with the world's greatest archaeologists for half a century, left at his death a diary of experiences and observations. In *Tombs, Temples, and Ancient Art*, his wife, Corinna Lindon Smith, has edited this diary admirably, and the publishers have enriched the book with a most generous selection of Smith's fine paintings as well as other illustrations. The product is in effect an informal history, by a witty and candid on-the-spot participant, of the world-ranging study of the ancient world in the last 50 years, with dramatic accounts of the great finds, such as that of the tomb of Tutankhamen, and engaging human portrayals of the chief makers of modern archaeology. It is, in short, a very fine book.

I wish I could have commented earlier on *How to Enjoy Your Western Vacations*, by Kent Ruth. But this is by no means a one-season book, and indeed its best use may be in the planning phase of a journey: perhaps my October recommendation may lead you to get this book now—if you plan to travel westward in the United States either in Winter or in Summer—and enjoy its help as you plan. For recommendation it is: this seems to me truly the ideal book for its purpose. It has pictures aplenty, firm organization, facts big and little—the little ones can be most important, as every traveller knows. It's unbiased, accurate, full of fresh suggestions. I think you'll like it.

Of the same ilk is the newly revised *New York City* guidebook in the *Look at America* series by the editors of *Look*, with an introduction by Frederick L. Allen: plenty of excellent pictures, orderly arrangement, a wealth of apt suggestions as to what to see and how to get there, with the factual background to make the seeing worth while.

If I were touring in Maine this Summer or Fall (I wish I were!) I would



It's a plan view of Robert Fulton's submarine Nautilus built around 1800—one of the many sketches and pictures from James Dugan's book—Man under the Sea.

ask no better preparation and handbook for the journey than *The Coast of Maine*, by Louise Dickinson Rich. No pictures here, but what is really better: words that have the power to make you see, writing that has the warmth and depth of shared experience. Lacking the chance to journey Maineward in body, I've visited that historic and dramatic and beautiful coast in imagination as I've read, evening after evening, two or three of Mrs. Rich's chapters in which history and present prospect, the feel of the land and the quality of the life, are blended into a continuingly rewarding experience.

What seems a thoroughly practical day-by-day manual is A. Gordon Melvin's *Mexican Travel Guide*. It has the facts one is likely to need, arranged so one can find them. With some maps but no pictures, with no literary intention but plenty of useful information, this little book seems well worthy of the small space it will take in a traveller's luggage.

I have left less space than I'd like in which to express my enthusiastic enjoyment of a new book about the Ohio country. Walter Havighurst's *Wilderness for Sale: The Story of the First Western Land Rush* adds new distinction to the already outstanding American *Procession* series, marked by such truly fine books as Josephine Herbst's *New Green World*, about John Bartram and the early American naturalists, and Edmund Fuller's *Tinkers and Genius*, the story of the Yankee inventors. *Wilderness for Sale* may well be considered a book for actual travell-

ers, for such chapters as those on the founding of Marietta and on the history of New Harmony would add much to anyone's reward in visiting the places described. Even more this is a book for the stay-at-home traveller, in the Ohio country and elsewhere—for all who relish and value the adequate narration of a major epoch in the human story.

Walter Havighurst has grasped the broad drama of the sudden sweep of settlement into the forested Ohio Valley a century and a half ago. He has known how to relate this drama to the tangled forces—social, economic, political—that fed it and flowed from it. Above all, he has seen and felt with remarkable sharpness and accuracy the specific incidents and personalities that make this vast body of human experience real and close to the reader. In *Wilderness for Sale* he has added an exceptionally sound, valuable, and enjoyable book to his already distinguished achievement.

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PERSONALIA

'Briefs' about Rotarians, their honors and records.



Yes, it's Mamie Eisenhower—first lady of the U.S.A.—and the smiles are over the successful start of the National Nephrosis Foundation fund campaign. Dr. Henry W. Kaesler, of Mt. Vernon, N.Y., heads the organization, while Mrs. Eisenhower heads the Foundation's honorary sponsors.

WELCOME! When man bites dog, that's newspaper news. When son welcomes father into a Rotary Club—well, that's Rotary news. And that, exactly, is what took place in the thriving little cattle city of Ellensburg, Wash. THOMAS C. BOSTIC, Sr., a druggist, was invited into the membership of the local Rotary Club when his classification, which had been filled for many years, became open. At the precise moment when his Club sponsor was about to place the Rotary button in his lapel, in walked his son, THOMAS C. BOSTIC, Jr., then President of the Yakima Rotary Club. He flashed his surprised father a wide smile, took over the placement of the Rotary button, and welcomed him into Rotary's fellowship—a grand moment for father and son.

Good-by, Please. "I am hampered in my work by a thousand interruptions. Nearly every hour comes a letter from some scholar and if I undertook to reply to them all, I should be obliged to devote day and night to scribbling. Then through the day come calls from all kinds of visitors. . . . These interruptions are now becoming too serious for me. . . ." Does this sound like the confession of a 20th Century business executive? It could be. This, however, was written by a Venetian printer to his friend—in A.D. 1514! It's contained in a folder printed by J. CARL

HERTZOG, a member of the Rotary Club of El Paso, Tex. Besides being a printer and publisher, he's quite an authority on lore of the Southwest. On the cover of the folder, bordered by a floral design of an original Venetian woodcut, are the closing words of the letter, which probably expresses the thoughts of many businessmen in no enigmatic manner:

"Whoever thou art, thou art earnestly requested . . . to state thy business briefly and to take thy departure promptly. In this way thou may be of service even as was Hercules to the weary Atlas, for this is a place of work for all who may enter."

Morris Trio. The name of MORRIS is a familiar one in the Rotary Club of Mexico, Mo. FRED A. MORRIS, a charter member, was President of the Club in 1922. In 1940, his son, FRED L. MORRIS, now deceased, was elected President, and recently his other son, MIZE MORRIS, was elected President for the 1956-57 term. Now Mexico Rotarians are curious: can any other Club match this unique record of three Club Presidents in the same family? They can find their answer in this issue (see photo on this page).

Authors. From the pen of GEORGE O. ROBINSON, a member of the Rotary Club of Aiken, S.C., has come *And What of Tomorrow* (Comet Press, Inc., 200 Varick St., New York 14, N.Y.). . . . WILLIAM BEARD, a member of the Rotary Club of Randwick, Australia, has written *Gooriana*, a poem of an old Aboriginal romance (privately printed). . . . J. R. JUSAWALLA, Hyderabad, India, Rotarian,



A. Z. Baker, 1955-56 Rotary President, presents the gavel to John L. Pischke, 1956-57 President of the Rotary Club of Lakewood, Ohio. "A. Z." has inducted Lakewood officers 14 years.

has written a 110-page history of his Club, titled *It Hyderabad Rotary—A True Story*. It was a Rotary Golden Anniversary Year project.

Texas Combinations. When it comes to father-and-son combinations who have been elected Presidents of their Club, the Rotary Club of Gilmer, Tex., might be hard to beat. In the photograph below are three father-and-son (in one case—sons) combinations. Their dates of office are in parentheses. In the front row (left to right) are: E. F. ALBREDE (1932-33); his son, HARRY ALBREDE (1955-56); Dr. DOUGLAS DANIELS (1956-57); his father, Dr. J. G. DANIELS (1926-27); second row: CRANFILL H. COX, Jr. (1948-49); his father, CRANFILL H. COX (1927-28), who was Governor of District 188 in 1950-51; and Dr. HARRIS DANIELS (1947-48). All three fathers are charter members of the Club.

Rotarian Honors. The University of Michigan has bestowed an honorary doctor of laws degree upon GEORGE A. MALCOLM, of Hollywood, Calif., a Past District Governor of Rotary International. . . . DR. ROBERT W. GIBSON, of Monmouth, Ill., has been elected to the office of Moderator of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, thus becoming



Gilmer Mirror

All father-and-son combinations—six have served as Club President, one is the 1956-57 President—all members of the Rotary Club of Gilmer, Tex. (see item).



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Hawaiian leis? No, they are tulip garlands for father and son of West Wickham, England, the winners of a 2,000-mile sports-car race (see item).

ing the denomination's titular head, . . . The 1956 Boone County, Mo., Fair Horse Show was dedicated to JAMES W. HOURIGAN, Sr., and ROBERT E. LEE HILL, both of Columbia. ROTARIAN HILL is a Past President of Rotary International. . . . The Grand Exalted Ruler of the Elks for 1956-57 is FRED L. BOHN, of Zanesville, Ohio. . . . NOVICE G. FAWCETT, 1955-56 President of the Rotary Club of Columbus, Ohio, has been named the eighth president of Ohio State University. . . . The doctor of humanities degree has been awarded to SAMUEL M. SMITH, of Greenwood, S. C., by Furman University in Greenville. . . . Newly elected president of the New Jersey Society of Architects and of the New Jersey Chapter of the American Institute of Architects is DAN A. HOPPER, Jr., of Irvington, N. J. . . . MERLE C. NUTT, of Moline, Ill., is the recipient of an honorary doctor of laws degree from Illinois Wesleyan University. . . . WILLIAM L. HENNING, of State College, Pa., has received the annual Philadelphia Agricultural Award of the Philadelphia Society for the Promotion of Agriculture, a group founded in 1783. . . . DR. JOHN E. FOSTER, of Foley, Ala., was appointed to the committee on constitution and by-laws of the American Academy of General Practice. . . . LLOYD MOREY, of Ur-

bana, Ill., who received the American Institute of Accounting award in 1955 for distinguished service in governmental accounting, received a similar award this year from the Municipal Finance Officers of the United States and Canada.

Road Race. In their service station in West Wickham, England, TEDDY BROOKES and his son, RAY, members of the local Rotary Club, made a last-minute inspection of their Austin A30 sports car, highly tuned for the 2,000-mile grind of the International Tulip Rally, an all-Europe road race. The handicap event, which finished in Holland, started in several places, including London. Over smooth and rough roads, over the Alps, through hill climbs, time trials, in competition with the best cars and drivers from many countries, the BROOKES several days later roared across the finish line in first place. Upon their return to West Wickham they were given a hero's welcome, including the flowered decoration (see photo) being placed around their necks by the chairman of the local Chamber of Commerce, H. ALLAKER.



Three generations of the Kistner family are members of the Rotary Club of Elkhart, Ind. They are (from left to right) George C. Kistner, father and grandfather; Russell M. Kistner, son; and George L. Kistner, grandson.

Retirement. Many large Rotary Clubs employ Executive Secretaries to perform the multifarious tasks necessary to a smooth-running organization. For 30 years MRS. ETHEL WARD held such a position in the Rotary Club of Washington, D. C. The Club observed her retirement this year, which became official last July 1, but Washington Rotarians always will affectionately remember the lifetime of zeal and devotion with which Mrs. Ward served their Club and Rotary generally.

Businessman Exchange

HOW would you like to take somebody else's vacation? Nils Martin, a Rotarian of Göteborg, Sweden, did. It was a part of a unique, year-long exchange in which he swapped his job, home, car, dog—everything but his family—with a business acquaintance of Jamestown, New York, Wallace S. Oldstrom.

In 1946, "Wally" Oldstrom, who operates a laundry and dry-cleaning establishment in Jamestown, visited Göteborg during a tour abroad to study laundry operations. He spent some time at the Martin establishment, which is the second-largest laundry in Sweden. A year later, and again in 1954, Rotarian Martin visited the Oldstrom laundry in Jamestown.

From this business acquaintance grew a family friendship, and later a proposal that the two families "exchange" children for a school year—a proposal which finally evolved into the idea of trading everything but the families for one year.

And so in May, 1955, Rotarian Martin, his wife, and three children sailed for the United States and Jamestown, and Mr. and Mrs. Oldstrom and their children left for Sweden and Göteborg.

As Rotarian Martin explained it last year at a meeting of the Rotary Club of Fort Myers, Florida, "I live in his house, drive his car, take care of his dog, and run his laundry, for which I am paid a salary; he keeps the profits. He lives in my house in Sweden, drives my car, takes care of my dog, operates my laundry on a salary basis, and I keep the profits.

Right now, my family and I are enjoying what otherwise would be the Oldstroms' vacation at Fort Myers Beach. While we are swimming in the Gulf of Mexico during these warm Winter days, he is enjoying the subzero weather reported last week in Göteborg."

While in Jamestown, Rotarian Martin maintained 100 percent attendance at the Rotary Club, and he and his family were guests many times at its members' homes. Shortly before the Martins sailed for home last May, the Mayor of Jamestown, on behalf of the Jamestown Rotary Club, presented Rotarian Martin with an honorary "citizenship."



From left to right: Nils Martin; 1955-56 Club President Harold L. Sanford; Mayor Carl F. Sanford.



The place: Rotary Club of Harrisonburg, Va. The song leader: 91-year-old Dr. William H. Keister, Rotarian for 35 years and superintendent of Harrisonburg schools for 31 years. The song: you guessed it—Dixie!

News and photos from
Rotary's 9,183 Clubs
in 99 countries and regions



Members of the Rotary Club of Hamilton, Ohio, put in over 7,240 hours of work on this "Rotary Show Wagon," which is wired for lights and sound and has "let-down stage." It was presented to the community in July.

Tour Time for Boys' Town Lads Visits to an engine works, a shipyard, a rope works, and other industries; many historical and other points of interest; and Rotarians' homes were all part of a program for a group of orphan boys, aged 11 to 16, from Boys' Town in MODENA, ITALY. The entertainment, which took place during the group's six-week visit to England, was arranged by the Rotary Club of SEABURN, ENGLAND, with the help of the Rotary Clubs of BRAHAM and DURHAM.

Workshop for Bulletin Editors Club-bulletin editors in Rotary District 219 (southwestern Michigan) are enthusiastic about their "District Editarians Conference," a semiannual meeting at which the editors discuss ideas concerning the writing and publishing of Club bulletins, such as format, reader interest, editorial style, sources of news, production, and distribution. In addition, a guest editor

writes a monthly bulletin which contains helpful editorial hints, items from the District Governor, *Clipsheet*, or other sources of official Rotary information. The editors bring along copies of their bulletins for comments and advice from the more experienced bulletin editors taking part in the workshop. Out of 39 bulletin editors in the District, 35 attended the last meeting.

Aberdeen Says Hello!

In timely harmony with Rotary International President Gian Paola Lang's message "Let's know more about each other" is an attractive booklet published by the Rotary Club of ABERDEEN, S.D. DAK., in observance of the 40th anniversary of its founding. Listed in it are pictures and information about each Club member: his address, phone number, classification, and business address. The purpose of the book is simply stated in the first sentence on the cover: "We want to get better acquainted." It's being sent to Clubs worldwide with the suggestion that the perforated pages be torn out and passed to the member of the same classification. Through this means of introduction, ABERDEEN Rotarians hope to start a chain of correspondence which will develop widespread personal acquaintance throughout the world of Rotary.

New Funds from Antique Objects

There is something about cracked, faded teapots, old gilt picture frames, feather boas, and creaky, wicker-bottomed chairs which holds a fascination for thousands of antique-loving people. They attend shows and auctions everywhere in search of such venerable objects for the home. Some 1,700 people flocked to an antiques show sponsored by the Rotary Club of GROSSE POINT, Mich., recently and netted the Club a profit of \$4,200 for its activity

Photo: Moran



During the Miss Universe competition in California, the Rotary Club of Long Beach sponsored this very eye-appealing International Service program. The bevy of beautiful participants next to the Club President, Vaile G. Young, are (left to right) Misses Canada, Brazil, Germany, Italy, Ecuador, Argentina, Chile, and Japan.

fund. The merchandise, all for sale, was shown by 19 participating dealers. The Club's profits were realized from the sale of tickets.

Intercepted Smoke Signals

Several months ago the Rotary Club of NORTH SACRAMENTO, CALIF., set out to do something about the shortage of Boy Scout troops in its territory. The recent totals as a result of the vigorous efforts of the Club's Youth Service Committee: ten additional troops organized in the area, and ten



"Grass for Greece," a project of the Rotary Club of Oregon City, Oreg., is sowing international goodwill. The Club sent 100 pounds of seed to Greek farmers and included planting tips.

new troop sponsors, including the Club itself!

For many years the Rotary Club of KITTANNING, PA., has sponsored the local Sea Scout troop. As a Golden Anniversary Year project, the Club financed the transportation of a 34-foot cruiser, a surplus Navy boat which the troop had previously acquired, from PHILADELPHIA to KITTANNING, where the troop reconditioned it. Last year the boat was relaunched and the troop made nine weekend cruises on the Allegheny River. This year the troop is putting the launch to even greater use.

The Rotary Club of RICHMOND, IND., recently contributed \$1,000 toward the development of the near-by Bear Creek Boy Scout Reservation.

Airing the Air News

There are some 50,000 cadets enrolled in the United States Civil Air Patrol, a national program which offers instruction in flying, navigation, mechanics, and related fields. Three 17-year-old cadets were recently presented aviation awards by the Rotary Club of STERLING, Colo., for their proficiency in cadet work. The youths, all of STERLING, will receive instruction in three phases of the CAP program at near-by Crosson Field.

Thirty-five Air Force ROTC students of Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College gave a meeting of the Rotary

Club of BRYAN, TEX., a distinctive note by their presence recently. They were invited by Colonel Henry Dittman, a Rotarian and professor of air science at the school. In introducing the air cadets Colonel Dittman said, "I want my fellow Rotarians to see the type of leaders Texas A. and M. College produces, and I want the cadets to see citizenship in action at a Rotary Club."

Career Day in St. Paul

One hundred high-school seniors in the St. Paul, Minn., area

were guests of the Rotary Club of St. PAUL for the Tenth Annual Young Men's Conference, a three-day affair packed with industrial and city tours, speeches, entertainment, and a generous amount of Rotary hospitality. The Clubs of Rotary District 174 selected the outstanding senior boys in their respective areas for the conference. On the final day the young men were guests at the Club meeting.

Hot Chicken on the Gridiron

Have some chicken, friends! That's the invitation from the

Rotary Club of SALINE, MICH., which is currently raising funds for its "Special Activity Fund." Located eight miles from the University of Michigan football stadium in ANN ARBOR, the SALINE Club hopes that Rotarians, their friends, and other hungry gridiron fans will stop at the SALINE High School gymnasium where the Club will be serving chicken dinners on the Saturdays on which the University of Michigan football team plays home games. Eat it there, or take it along in a box lunch, says the Club President.

Help for Korean Boys' Town Herd

When A. Z. Baker, Rotary's world President in 1955-56, was

in SEOUL, KOREA, last December, local Rotarians took him on a drive early one Sunday morning 20 miles northward to see the Boys' Town of Korea, which was started by United States servicemen and is now under the sponsorship of the Korean YMCA. Impressed by the fine organization and morale of the orphaned lads, the President gave the boys enough money to buy a cow. Now, thanks to Rotary District 186 in Texas, the boys will be able to increase their small herd. The District forwarded a check for over \$350 to "A. Z." (see photo) to use for charitable purposes, preferably for the Boys' Town in Korea. He gladly complied with the selection and the check was sent on its way.

On Stage— Mr. President

Rotary Club Presidents bow out at the end of their terms

in a variety of ways. The retiring President of the Rotary Club of SAVANNAH, Ga., generally expects a skit which good-naturedly lampoons his administration. But not so last June! The 1955-56 Club President, the Reverend Ernest Risley, was the subject of a "This Is Your Life" type of program, which featured pictures, tape recordings, and a narration of the high lights of his life.



The Rotary Club of Mount Ephraim, N. J., saluted 133 years of teaching experience when it honored three teachers and the Camden County school superintendent who is retiring. Standing at the far right is 1955-56 Club President Melvin A. Hurff.



Photo: Pella Chronicle News

This lighted fountain gracing a grassy square in Pella, Iowa, changes color and spray patterns continuously. A fund-raising campaign for the project was spearheaded by the local Rotary Club. Harold A. Haverkamp (in foreground, left) presents the final proceeds of the drive to the chairman of the local park commission.



When five Boy Scouts were raised to the rank of Eagle Scout in the same year, it marked the first such occasion for any troop in Pittsburgh, Pa. The Rotary Club of Ingram honored the quintette at a recent meeting. Raymond Atkinson, 1955-56 Club President (seated in the center), is flanked by local adult Scout leaders.

Rotary Reporter (continued)



"There she blows!" The Rotary Club of Bakersfield, Calif., saluted Oil Progress Week in one meeting of a series which helped to focus attention to the leading local industries. All the helmeted Rotarians above are connected with the oil industry.



Photo: Smith

For Boys Town in Korea, a check from District 186. William L. Joyce, of Fort Worth, Tex., gives it to A. Z. Baker, who later forwarded it (see item).



A big moment in the silver-anniversary observance of the Rotary Club of Bangkok, Thailand. It's the unveiling of a plaque in a large ward of the Nondhaburi hospital which the Club furnished with beds and tables.

Rotary Club Close-ups ...

ALTHOUGH all Rotary Clubs are united in the ideal of service, their service takes many different forms, as dictated by local needs and abilities. Here are photos showing familiar projects such as the building of parks and pools . . . but here, too, are some unusual ones, such as the laying of an air strip and the development of an airport park. Yes, there is a great diversity of ways, and on these two pages are but a few.



Photo: News Leader

Robert Caldwell (center), of the U. S. Embassy in Copenhagen, Denmark, looks for Danish flag in the flag stand following a talk to the Rotary Club of Chapel Hill, N. C., his home Club.



A CARE bookshelf, a gift of the Rotary Club of Haverstraw, N. Y., is presented to Rotary Club of Cebu, The Philippines. Major Jose C. Moran (right), 1955-56 Club President, accepts.



Photo: Bradford Junior College

Strolling on the Bradford, Mass., Junior College campus are members of the Rotary Club of Haverhill, Mass., and two Korean students whom the Club assists financially. Left to right are Granly S. Ross, 1955-56 President; Chungsun Choi; Edgerton W. Lau, President; Yung Jin Kim; and Charles E. Curtis, '54-55 President.



It won't be long before tiny tots will be splashing happily in the community wading pool being built by members of the Rotary Club of Auburn, Calif.



Inspecting the fully equipped emergency wagon which their Club presented to the town are members of the Rotary Club of Middletown, R. I.



White-elephant sale in Moscow!—Idaho, that is. Members of the local Rotary Club canvassed the town for unwanted odds and ends, built sales counters and sold all to the hundreds of odds-and-ends-hunting customers who flocked in. The successful project swelled the Club's well-used Youth Activity Fund by \$1,550.



Members of the Rotary Club of Qualicum Beach, B. C., Canada, are hacking out a 5,000-foot welcome mat—an air strip—from this wooded area for the use of air-minded Rotarians and other visitors to their community.



A sign of community pride! It was erected on the outskirts of town by the Rotary Club of Merced, Calif.



It's tree-planting day during the development of a four-acre park on the local airport grounds—one project of the Rotary Club of Carroll, Iowa.



A weed-grown, gravelled triangle in the middle of a street intersection was transformed into a grassy plot by the Rotary Club of Puente, Calif., which dedicated the project to those who served in the U. S. armed forces.



Surrounded by members of the Rotary Club of Ripon, Wis., General Carlos P. Romulo signs the Club banner at commencement exercises of Ripon College. Rotarian Romulo is the Philippine Ambassador to the United States.

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At the Rotary Club of Bridlington, England—an honored guest, an interesting speaker, and 100 percent attendance! Pictured (left to right): William Batty, Club Secretary; W. M. Brown, 1955-56 President; David Dick, the Immediate Past President of RIBI; and the speaker, American Exchange teacher Mrs. G. Constan.

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plus the personal appearances of several of his acquaintances. At the close of the program he was presented with an album containing the script and pictures used in the program.

Five Clubs Mark 25th Anniversary The month of October marks the 25th anniversary of five

Rotary Clubs. They are: OLAVARRIA, ARGENTINA; SANTIAGO DEL ESTERO, ARGENTINA; WINDSOR AND ETON, ENGLAND; SPRINGFIELD, KY.; and Tijuana, MEXICO.

The Rotary Club of KANSAS CITY, Mo., recently acquired its 500th member. More than 1,300 individuals have been members of the Club since it was chartered in 1910.

The Rotary Club of JERSEY CITY, N. J., celebrated its 40th anniversary recently. Of the 21 living Past Presidents, 16 were present at the meeting, one of whom was a charter member of the Club.

'Get Acquainted' Peg Board The Rotary Club of ALAMO HEIGHTS, TEX., uses a novel peg board chart to encourage its members to visit each other's business or professional establishment. Along the top and left side of the board is each member's name. When one member visits another, he places a peg opposite the man's name in his row. The first member to complete his row is awarded a prize.

To 'Thankless' Some Thanks In every community are men who perform the run-of-mill thankless tasks which seem unpretentious but are nonetheless necessary and valuable. Five such men—a policeman, a railroad-station employee, a postman, a streetcar motorman, and a school porter—were recently honored for years of faithful service in their respective jobs by the Rotary Club of SAPPORO, JAPAN.

Faithful service over a long number of years was rewarded recently by another Rotary Club—that of BOLTON, Ont., CANADA. The Club, following a program on employer-employee relations, cited a resident who had established a record of 50 years of service with a local firm.

Project Ideas? Here Are Four! Rotary Community Service projects often have far-reaching effects—literally! In this instance, the benefit of a project of the Rotary Club of TAYLORVILLE, ILL., a beacon light, reached more than 90 miles through a recent foggy night to guide an airplane to a safe landing at the local airport. The Club had installed the powerful light atop the local airport tower only two weeks before. The Club is also financing the operating cost of the beacon for one year.

Two years of work by the Rotary Club of JOHNSON CITY, TENN., culminated in the dedication of an eight-acre family picnic park in its community. The Club spent some \$10,000 in developing the facilities, which include playgrounds, tables, drinking fountains, grills, and paved walks. A shelter which seats 100 people was given by Rotarian Robert London in memory of his father, R. P.

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London, a charter member of the Club.

Many motorists have a yearn to stop and "drink in" many scenic views, but busy highways, with few places to stop, often allow only a fleeting glance. A recently completed Rotary Golden Anniversary Year project of the Rotary Club of SUPERIOR, Wis., remedied this situation in its area. The Club provided off-highway parking facilities overlooking Lake Superior. The parking area will accommodate 20 cars.

The Rotary Club of RENOVO, Pa., has inaugurated correspondence with Rotary Clubs in Europe, the letters being written in the language of the respective countries. Many, interesting, and stimulating are the answers to date.

Three Schools Meet The Test

Students in three more schools have become acquainted with The Four-Way Test through the efforts of local Rotary Clubs. The Rotary Club of UNADILLA, N. Y., and the local chapter of the National Honor Society of UNADILLA High School co-operated in a school project which supplied students and school with plaques, posters, textbook stickers, and pamphlets.

The Rotary Club of TURLOCK, CALIF., sponsored an essay contest in which 25 local high-school students participated. The subject: The Four-Way Test and its meaning. Plans called for publication of the winning essay in a local newspaper.

Cash prizes were awarded to three senior students of STOCKTON, CALIF., High School whose speeches on different applications of The Four-Way Test were adjudged best by a Committee representing the contest's sponsor, the Stockton Rotary Club.

33 New Clubs in Rotary World

Since last month's listing of new Clubs in this department, Rotary has entered 33 more communities in many parts of the world. The new Clubs (with their sponsors in parentheses) are: Utuado (Arecibo), Puerto Rico; El Rimac (Lima), Peru; Granville (Parramatta), Australia; Dungannon, Northern Ireland; Irvine, Scotland; Redruth, England; Iserlohn (Hagen/Westf.), Germany; Skaerbaek (Tender and Ribe), Denmark; Cabo Frio (Campos), Brazil; Grasse (Cannes), France; Nibe (Aalborg), Denmark; Scarborough (Mount Lawley), Australia; Deauville (Lisieux), France; Bagnoles-de-l'Orne et le Pays d'Andaine (Alençon), France; Kramfors (Söderfjärden), Sweden; Jonzac (Saintes), France; Bolbec-Lillebonne (Fecamp), France; Kitakata (Aizuwakamatsu), Japan; Descalvado (Americana), Brazil; Leytonstone, England; Glen Ridge (Bloomfield), N. J.; Franklinville (Buffalo, Springville, and East Aurora), N. Y.; Bad Ischl (Wels), Austria; Alba (Asti), Italy; Rambeuil (Dreux), France; Yucaipa (Redlands), Calif.; Ashton (St. Anthony), Idaho; Clewiston (Belle Glade), Fla.; Ayer (Hudson), Mass.; Haslett-Okemos (Lansing), Mich.; Far Rockaway (Rockaway), N. Y.; Baker (La Grande), Oreg.; South Charleston (Charleston), W. Va.; Philmont (Hudson), N. Y.

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Among the Shrines and Temples of Japan

By O. D. A. OBERG

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SEVENTY miles from Tokyo stands the old city of Nikko, famous for its many shrines and temples. It is the mecca of tourists and to it every week flock thousands of school children and students, as well as tourists, to admire its ancient glories.

Indeed, it seems one of the features

of the relatively advanced Japanese educational system to reinforce academic instruction with personal inspection and observation. For this reason, and also related to their veneration for age and "face," every day thousands inspect these old shrines and temples. We saw them in great numbers in Nikko,

Nara, and Karekaro near Yokohama.

Inspection of the many temples and shrines in Nikko is indeed a memorable experience. In Japanese the word "kekko" is used to describe the superlative, such as "magnificent," "glorious." Accordingly, it is said, "Unless you've seen Nikko, you can't say 'kekko'." How true that is!

Nara [pictured in *A Family of Japan* in THE ROTARIAN for June, 1956.—Eds.] is famous as the old capital of Japan during the Seventh to Ninth Centuries. Then the capital was removed to Kyoto, where it remained for the next 1,000 years. It was finally shifted to Tokyo in 1870.

In the Treasury in Nara are to be seen samples of some of the oldest tapestry weaving in the world, dating back to the Eighth Century. In this lovely old city stands the Great Buddha, built in the Eighth Century. It is the largest bronze image in the world. Its immensity may be gauged from the following details:

The height of the Great Buddha with its sitting posture is 53½ feet; the length of the face is 16 feet and the width is 9½ feet; the length of the eye is 3 feet 9 inches, the ear is 8½ feet, and the length of the thumb is 4 feet 8 inches. Five hundred tons of copper were required to cast this image.

The temple building itself is huge. Measuring 188 feet from east to west and 166 feet from north to south, with a mean height of 156 feet, it is claimed that there is enough building material surrounding this famous temple to replace all the houses in Nara.

Some distance east of the temple is a big bell, a product of the Eighth Century, 13 feet 6 inches in height, 9 feet 1 inch in diameter, and weighing 48 tons. It is the oldest temple bell in Japan, even today telling people of the hour of prayer with the same tone as when it first vibrated into the still air 1,200 years ago. It is said that when one rings this great bell, his ancestors gravely nod their heads in approval.

Probably the most famous Shinto Shrine is Hachimam-Bu in Karekaro, near Yokohama, dating back to the Kamakura period. To see its artistic glories expressed in situation, architecture, and decoration is an unforgettable experience.

In this vicinity, and dating back to the same period, stands the big bronze Buddha named "Didutsi Riddha." Uncovered, mighty in its majesty and of

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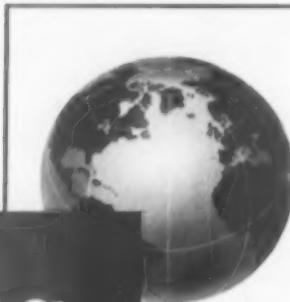
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most gracious facial expression, it stands there in solitary, commanding splendor. The huge covering building was engulfed by a tidal wave more than two centuries ago. Probably the impressiveness of the figure could not have been more emphasized than by leaving it there alone—apart, commanding, almost forbidding, in its majestic isolation.

At the entrance to what was once the famous Buddhist Monastery of KooKoo-In is the following arresting and inspiring inscription:

*Stranger, whosoever thou art and whatsoever be thy creed,
When thou enterst this sanctuary,
remember thou treadst upon
Ground hallowed by the worship of
ages.
This is the Temple of Buddha and
the Gates of the Eternal and
Should therefore be entered with
reverence.*

Inspection of these temples and shrines, symbols of old faiths and traditions, is a memorable experience. It leaves one with the impression that in the final judgment, it really matters not so much what gods a man serves, but how he serves them.

Your Letters

[Continued from page 2]

ways of all these columns lead forward to the extreme, to the creating of somebody to whom all reins are given—somebody who makes his living out of the mass, one of Nietzsche's demigods, a Frankenstein, a robot, the frantic dictator.

The rhythm of Rotary is otherwise. The way which Rotary follows in its working is based on individuality. The Rotary Clubs are the members of Rotary International, and they enjoy full liberty—within the Object and framework of Rotary—to arrange their work and their effort to realize the aspirations which are to them nearest at hand. Rotary International does not draw any binding lines to work upon, but it only stimulates and inspires the Clubs.

There is exactly the same as to the division in Districts, which division is made for practical reasons. Here, at District Conferences and District Assemblies, we find stimulating and inspiring activities and fellowship. The Conferences are not legislative; no absolute principles were here to be agreed to, with narrow or broad margin.

And so long as Rotary Clubs have this liberty of action, so long our movement will live individually. A late friend of mine, a Rotarian, once said, "Rotary is thoughts and words, but it depends on ourselves to do the deeds."

Rotary is really that simple.

Let Custom Dictate Use of Names

View of JOHN E. KNIGHT, Rotarian
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[This First-Name Business, debate-of-the-month for July]. Rotary has no rules about religion or politics and if local custom or protocol demands the use of last names, then use them. In the United States the customs are a little less formal and first names more acceptable.

We should remind ourselves, however, that last names were originally a definition. If we must go back to our great-grandparents who called each other "Mr." or "Mrs." (mine didn't), let us go back 1,000 years or so when there were no last names. Last names were developed to designate which John or George or William.

If last names are so deeply rooted in an area that it is awkward to use first names, then by all means do the natural thing and use last names. I have spent much of my time in an area and under conditions where first names are the natural thing. When used in a sincere, friendly manner, I much prefer first names.

Discard First Names

Suggests E. F. HIRD, M.D., Rotarian Physician
Bound Brook, New Jersey

In the past 50 years Rotary has changed from a small group of friends banded together for mutual assistance because of need and loneliness to an international organization whose members are more often strangers than mere acquaintances, and who are expected to give service rather than seek mutual help.

With this change it is reasonable for some of the early customs, applicable to a small friendly group, to be unsuitable in the present large international organization. One of these customs is the use of the given (first) name in addressing Club members [see This First-Name Business, debate-of-the-month for July]. While not obligatory, it has often been so decreed in many Clubs in the U.S.A. It was instituted at a time when the use of the given name was restricted to the immediate family and very close friends and its object was to promote friendship. Other groups for the same purpose addressed members as "Brother" or "Comrade."

Today this custom has lost its significance because of its universal use, and we find that in a Club of any size there are too many Johns, Carls, and Williams to make the given or nick name adequate to designate an individual.

For these reasons it seems to me that the use of the given name is (1) inefficient and (2) no longer a sign of friendship, and should be discarded.

First Names for Fellowship

Thinks ARTHUR F. A. WITTE
Educator
Secretary, Rotary Club
Yankers, New York

I'm for first names 200 percent [see This First-Name Business, THE ROTARIAN for July]. Paul, Peter, John, Mary—close friends not relatives, the Bible

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"Hi, Ike!" surely, now, sounds warmer than "Your Royal Highness!"

Re: Adjustment

By RAM LABHAYA, Rotarian
Judge, Assam High Court
Gauhati, India

I confess that I have not had the pleasure of meeting the most crooked man whom William Saroyan portrayed in THE ROTARIAN for November, 1955. I suspect he does not exist in real life. He is a creature of Mr. Saroyan's genius. This man, says Mr. Saroyan, "adjusts to everything and he does so with entire and perfect success. He knows that most of the things he adjusts to are wrong, but he plays the game and plays it well."

Adjustment is a biological necessity. Man is a social animal. He does not thrive in loneliness. He lives a crowded existence. What he desires for himself, he must concede to others. He has to fit into an environment in which he is placed by Nature. He has no choice in the matter; it seldom is entirely to his liking. The process of adjustment continues through life. It starts in infancy. The environment changes as one grows. The school, the university, married life, the expanding social circle—all call for a measure of adjustment, for smooth and peaceful existence. Compatibility in social life is attained through it. Adaptability is another name for it.

Conflict amongst individuals as well as amongst nations is resolved by adjustment. It is the best known method for the settlement of disputes. Wars, political and economic, may be avoided if this medium is employed. Is not adjustment vital for existence? You have either to possess a temperament which



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can adjust itself with the world around you or you must have power to defy the whole world. Defiance is not a practicable proposition. If everyone were to attempt to defy the rest of the world, the result would be greater conflict, chaos, and confusion than we have now. The solution of the troubles of mankind lies in adjustment.

But adjustment is distinguishable from appeasement. It is wholly different from submission or surrender prompted by cowardice, disinclination to fight, or inability to make sacrifices, which produce an attitude of nonresistance to evil. Putting up with it or conniving at it is encouraging and abetting it. This is not adjustment.

There are some axiomatic truths, some fundamental principles. One cannot trifle or compromise with them. They cannot be subjected to any form or degree of adjustment. Mahatma Gandhi saw no halfway house between slavery and freedom. Nothing short of unalloyed freedom was acceptable. He rejected all offers that fell short of it. On occasions one has to be as "uncompromising as justice itself." When one fails in his duty, on such occasions he does not adjust; he commits moral suicide and dies in an ethical sense. His physical existence after that is on a sub-human level.

Footnoting Greece's Stamp

By NIC. G. STATHOTAS, Rotarian
Journalist
Athens, Greece

There is a special feature which makes the Greek stamp of Rotary an item of more than philatelic interest [see *The Editors' Workshop*, THE ROTARIAN for July], and this is that its initiators have made it a carrier of a national message by using it as a means for the projection on the international screen of the picture of Cyprus, drawing it into sharp focus for all the world to see. The composition of the stamp includes, at its proper place on the map in relation to Greece, the Isle of Cyprus also.

Here indeed is a picture which, by making the relationship between Greece and Cyprus conspicuous to the beholder on an international scale, will tell the world that the people of Greece, who, as one body and one soul, stand by their fighting brothers of Cyprus, have only one thing in their minds and hearts, and that one thing is the desperate struggle of the Greek people of Cyprus for freedom.

Arch Follow-up

From GEORGE S. COWIE, Rotarian
Past Service
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada

Readers may recall the item in *How They Celebrated* in THE ROTARIAN for July, 1955, telling of the "Rotary Arch" across a thoroughfare leading into our city. The arch was erected in 1937, the result of inspiration and efforts of Alexander Sinclair, M.D., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., F.I.C.S., F.A.C.S., late member of the Rotary Club of Sault Ste. Marie.

Recently a plaque in Dr. Sinclair's

memory was placed on the arch by members of our Club to perpetuate the memory of the eminent goiter surgeon and outstanding citizen. The plaque will certainly be noted by many touring Rotarians as they travel Brock Street, which leads to the ferry between the two Soo's.

Switzerland—A Triumph of Common Sense

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conclusion and thus totally devoid of popular interest. Continuity is preserved at all times: there is no national upheaval every few years as in the United States or Britain; no constant uncertainty as in France; no political disinheritance of those citizens who are "agin" the winning party which, in other democracies, grabs all the power and all the political key offices with the object of wielding a kind of party dictatorship; no jockeying or parliamentary sabotage by a frustrated opposition and consequently no wastage of good oppositional brains; no glamorized political personality cult with televisioned smiles and honeyed words and promises—most Swiss have to make an effort to recall the name of their current President; and, above all, no sudden ousting of good men from high-rank offices with which they have only just had time to get familiar.

All in all, a commonsensical system that serves its purpose admirably and makes the Swiss wonder why other countries find it necessary to make such a fuss about their top-level elections. They themselves are averse to investing any one man, or body of men, with more than a minimum of authority, and their Federal Council is nothing but the very humble servant of the two-chamber Parliament. All its decisions have to be accepted by both chambers, otherwise back they go for amendment. And even if a bill does pass, a petition signed by 30,000 citizens suffices to have the new legislation submitted to the vote of the people.

The free play of party politics, just as active in Switzerland as anywhere else, takes place in the lower strata of the pyramid—in the cantons, towns, and communes, where the male adult Swiss is called upon to cast his personal vote not merely when electing his representative in Parliament, but several times a year on such matters as public expenditure, the appointment of school teachers and pastors, and a host of minor questions affecting the life of the body politic. Thus drawn into political activity at the age of 20 (at which age [Continued on page 57])



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he also becomes a soldier for life), able to view at close quarters the tangible results, good or bad, of his own and his fellow citizens' personal decisions, the young man is schooled to take a direct part in the government of his country.

In view of all this political common sense, the stranger finds it hard to understand why the Swiss should still withhold the vote from their women-folk. The issue has repeatedly been voted upon in various cantons, but always defeated. There are two reasons for this: (1) The male Swiss regards politics as his own domain. A woman's place is in the home, from where she cannot be expected to keep in touch with public affairs. Her vote, he says, would therefore be worthless. (2) Since women are not allowed to vote, the men have it all their own way when they go to the polls on the issue. Curiously enough, there is nothing in the Federal Constitution that expressly debars women from voting. But the lawyers declare that it is a point of common law and incontestable—and Swiss women have only been allowed to practice the legal profession since 1923.

Hitherto no Swiss woman has held any high-rank public office, and it was only a few months ago—possibly because the present U. S. Ambassador in Berne is a woman—that they were declared eligible for the diplomatic service. Nevertheless, women's franchise is on its way and may be a *fait accompli* within the next decade. It will probably make little practical difference when it does come, for Switzerland will always remain essentially a man's country.

I have heard Switzerland called pretty well everything from a museum piece to the most efficiently functioning democracy in the world. Despite the seeming contradiction of terms, I fully endorse both these definitions. A moment's reflection on contemporary world affairs will reveal that the one by no means precludes the other.



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Senior Active Membership (Installment II)

QUESTION: Do all senior active members have all the rights, privileges, and responsibilities of an active member?

ANSWER: Yes, except that no senior active member is considered as representing any business or professional classification, and under the conditions as set forth in Article IV, Section 7(c) or (d), of the Club Constitution may be excused from attendance requirements.

QUESTION: Does the automatic-termination provision in Article IV, Section 2 (e), of the Club Constitution apply to all senior active members?

ANSWER: No, this provision only applies to the elected senior active member—that is, it only applies to the former Rotarian who was elected to senior active membership as provided for in Article III, Section 11, paragraph 2, of the Club Constitution.

It is because of the limitation of this automatic-termination provision that the active member who becomes a senior active member at his option as provided for in Article III, Section 11, paragraph one, of the Club Constitution may retain senior active membership even though he ceases to reside within the territorial limits of the Club or within the residential territory recognized as the suburbs of the city in which the Club is located.

QUESTION: Do years of past service or honorary membership count in filling the requirements for senior active membership?

ANSWER: No. The time requirement for senior active membership is for the number of years a man was an active member—that is, held a classification. The number of years that he held past service or honorary membership may not be counted toward his senior active requirements.

QUESTION: If a senior active member retires from business, may he continue as a senior active member of the Club?

ANSWER: Yes, he may continue as a senior active member of the Club. The following interpretive statement was made at the January, 1955, meeting of the Board of Directors of Rotary International: "The retirement of a senior active member from his business or profession does not affect the status of

his senior active membership." This replaces the Board's previous interpretive statement.

QUESTION: What are the advantages of senior active membership to the member?

ANSWER: 1. He enjoys the prestige and distinction of a kind of membership which is associated with years of active Rotary service.

2. He may retire from his business or profession and continue as a senior active member of his Club.

3. He may reenter a business or profession and continue as a senior active member of his Club.

4. Under certain circumstances he may be excused from complying with attendance requirements one of two ways:

(a) If, because of protracted ill health or impairment, he is physically unable to comply with the attendance requirements, he may during the period of its continuance, upon application to the Board of Directors of the Club, be excused from complying with attendance requirements and the absence shall not be computed in the attendance record of the Club.

(b) If he has been a member of one or more Rotary Clubs for in the aggregate 20 years or more, and has reached the age of 65 years, upon his notifying the Secretary of the Club in writing of his desire to be exempt therefrom, may, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of the Club, he excused from complying with attendance requirements, and when such approval has been given the particular member's attendance or absence shall not be computed in the attendance record of the Club.

Both the member who became senior active at his own option and the elected senior active member enjoy these four advantages, and the member who changed to senior active membership at his own option has, in addition, the further advantage that he does not automatically lose his membership when he ceases to reside within the territorial limits of the Club.

QUESTION: What are the advantages of senior active membership to the Club?

ANSWER: 1. It opens up a classification which may be loaned to another good man, thus extending the influence of Rotary in the community.

2. It aids in bringing younger men

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into Rotary, keeps the average age of the Club lower, brings new life and vitality into the Club, gives the younger men a chance to develop into leaders earlier, and builds toward a stronger Club in the future, all the time keeping in the Club the more mature members.

Plant Your Highways— for Safety

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swerve back to the pavement, and smash into another car. A thick planting of shrubs that shut out onrushing headlight beams eliminated this hazard, and the accident rate declined. Now almost all Connecticut's rotaries and traffic circles have been planted this way.

Tests made by the New Jersey Turnpike Authority and General Electric show that shrubs and trees on strips between divided highway lanes can practically eliminate blinding headlight glare. With only a single row of young cedar trees on the median strip, night drivers could spot hazards as much as 34 percent farther away than if there were no plantings.

Highway designers have also found dense rows of shrubs may be more effective than the conventional, expensive guard rails. The best shrub appears to be the tough, tightly interlaced multiflora rose. Andrew J. White, director of Motor Vehicle Research, South Lee, New Hampshire, has repeatedly smashed test cars into thick multiflora hedges. At 30 m.p.h. the cars are stopped within little more than their own length; the dense tangle of stems and branches acts like a giant sponge-rubber ball, easily absorbing the shock. Even at speeds of 50 m.p.h. and over the cars are brought to a quick but gentle stop, with only minor scratches and dents—a performance that no guard rail could duplicate. Several States are now planting these rosebush barricades; they cost less than ordinary cable guard rails. In addition to crash protection, they shut out headlights, stop snowdrifts, and keep large animals off the roadway.

More than three-quarters of the States in the U.S.A. are now devoting roadside acres to safety havens: numerous small parks and turn-outs where weary motorists can get relief from long stretches of driving. The larger ones average about an acre in size; many are equipped with shaded picnic benches, pure water, and fireplaces. Texas leads the U.S.A. with more than 1,000 of these "oases"—all donated by public-spirited landowners or civic and garden clubs. Massachusetts is setting its sights on

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WHEN noise is absorbed by a broad, planted right-of-way, and the sight of traffic is screened out, the value of neighboring homes is not hurt. Westchester County, New York, recently completed a ten-year study of real-estate values along four of its heavily travelled routes. Two of them were magnificently planted parkways with sidelands so wide that the adjacent houses usually were not visible from the parkway; the others were major arteries where the houses were too close to the road to permit planting. The County found that homes back from the parkways actually gained in value over comparable residences in the same community. But on the unplanted routes there was a definite deterioration spreading out from the roadside properties like a blot.

Taxpayers also reap the benefits of green roadsides, since the plantings usually pay for themselves within a few years in reduced maintenance costs by controlling erosion. A few years ago the Pennsylvania Department of Highways estimated that savings on maintenance allowed them to write off the initial expense of plantings in only two to four years.

On some of the big erosion-control projects the savings can be tremendous. Twenty years ago repairs to a few hundred yards of high eroding slope along the Springfield-Worcester highway in Massachusetts were costing \$10,000 a year. Then terraces and drainage ways were built and a vegetative cover was grown to lock the soil in place. In ten years the savings on maintenance paid for the cost of the work, and since 1947 close to \$100,000 has been saved.

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There is much work to be done on America's vast roadside domain, and State and local highway departments don't have the budget or the personnel to do it. That's where private citizens can help.

Some States and communities have Roadside Councils and they've taken the lead in combating the billboard plight, highway littering (a fantastic expense, which may cost the States as much as 30 million dollars annually), and getting more planting work done. In Illinois a few years ago two communities just west of Chicago—DeKalb and Sycamore—raised money for trees to be planted on the nine miles of highway connecting them; the State helped out by doing the actual transplanting work and maintaining the trees. Now the idea is catching on with other Illinois communities and the State Highway Department has made a blanket offer to cooperate on any such projects.

New Hampshire provides one of the best examples of how to make roadsides a source of civic pride and many benefits. There, 13 State organizations have banded together to sponsor the Roadside Improvement Associates. A quarter of all local civic, youth, church, and farm groups in New Hampshire have carried out projects in this program. In Rochester, New Hampshire, a club screened out the city dump and incinerator plant with trees and shrubs. In Franklin, garden-club women donated land for a roadside picnic area; husbands pitched in on the manual labor.

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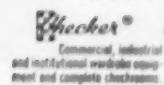
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HOBBY Hitching Post

TO thousands of youngsters in northwestern Pennsylvania, perl little "Pat" O'Toole and his pigtailed companion, Geraldine, are a very funny pair. A man necessary to their fun making is ROTARIAN KIRK I. THOMPSON, a druggist of Titusville. It's a hobby with him, and his story about it follows.

YES, I do seem to be necessary to "Pat" and Geraldine as they go about entertaining youngsters—and adults—at parties sponsored by schools, service clubs, churches, and various civic organizations. In fact, without me I'm afraid those two might end up on a wood pile somewhere. They are the dummies I hold on my knees in my ventriloquist act, and the three of us work together as a team. They need my voice for their songs and mirthful conversation; I need them to help create the illusion that I am not doing the talking or the singing.

This interdependency between ventriloquist and dummy is a point often overlooked by audiences who see nothing more to ventriloquism than the ability to speak without moving your lips. Of course, that's important if the illusion of voice throwing is to be accomplished at all. But a dummy with his mouth moving in close timing with the words spoken is an effective device for furthering the deception. Thus, part of the skill of the ventriloquist is his ability to manipulate the dummy's jaws, body, arms, and legs in a manner that is both natural and humorous.

I have been working with "Pat" for more than 45 years now, and I feel pretty comfortable with him in front of an audience. He wasn't my first dummy, however. To go back to the beginning, I was 10 years old and, like all boys, I loved to trade things. One day I swapped a can of varnish for a set of "ten easy lessons" in ventriloquism, and from that day on I was lost to this ancient art. I read the instructions carefully about proper breathing, the control of the tongue, the freezing of the lips, and other tricks that had to be mastered. And I practiced every day.

After having developed a fair skill in the technique of speaking without moving my lips, I decided it was time to begin using a dummy. So, with more eagerness than craftsmanship, I set to work building the body by nailing several pieces of flat wood together. To give movement to the lower half of the head, I attached it to a rubber strip and a piece of cord, and by pulling on the latter I was able to make it seem that the dummy was talking. To dress it up, I found an old suit of clothes and a false face that seemed just right for my "silent" partner. As things turned out, when I was ready to hoist the dummy on my knee, it was every bit as

big as I was. But I used it, and gave many a show.

My next dummy was "Pat," bought by my father, who wanted to give his budding ventriloquist a better-looking partner. "Pat" can roll his eyes, move his mouth, turn his head—all the things that a ventriloquist's dummy is supposed to do. Later I added Geraldine to the act, a move which required me to develop a new voice, one suited in tone to the little girl that Geraldine is supposed to be.

Besides being able to change his voice, the ventriloquist who uses a dummy must work hard to perfect his timing, the element of his act that adds credence to a performance that is based on the incredible supposition that a dummy is talking. So great is the power of make-believe, especially among chil-

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"I'm Pat O'Toole," says the little fellow, "and this is Geraldine. Our assistant is someone called Thompson."

dren, that many listeners, as they watch a ventriloquist, are able to give themselves over entirely to the proposition that the dummy is talking. If you can do that, it makes watching a ventriloquist much more fun.

Over the years, I have given hundreds of performances in scores of Pennsylvania communities for groups of all kinds, and the pleasure of doing this never diminishes. And I do it just for pleasure, never for payment. Picture, for example, a group of youngsters seated around "Pat" and Geraldine, all having a wonderful time, and you'll see why this hobby gives me so much satisfaction.

If "Pat" were on my knee now and we were talking about the shows we give, I'd say to him, "Don't we have a lot of fun giving these shows for children?" And then "Pat" would certainly

reply, "Why, I'd be a wooden head if I said we didn't."

What's Your Hobby?

If you want a new lift for your hobby, perhaps a listing of your name below will do it. If you are a Rotarian or a member of a Rotarian's family, just drop a note to THE HOBBYHORSE GROOM, and one of these months your name and hobby interest will be listed. There's only one request: that you acknowledge correspondence which may result from the listing.

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An Australian bishop whose diocese embraced a goodly portion of the wide-open spaces, found himself in the course of his annual visits at a lonely little corrugated-iron hotel for the night. The host turned out his very best for him. The only guest bedroom shone, and the roast goat served for tea was really tender. Next morning the yard boy was dispatched with hot water for the early-morning shave.

"Now all you have to do," said the hotel keeper to the quaking lad, "is knock on the door. The bishop will say, 'Who is there?' You must say, 'It's the boy, my lord, with your hot water.'"

All went to schedule. The boy knocked on the door. The bishop said, "Who's there?" The boy swallowed hard and bravely announced: "It's the lord, my boy, with your wart hotter."

Patient

The husband who suffers in silence,
Indisposed, but still as a mouse,
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—MAY RICHSTONE

Ships That Came In

Each of these ten ships won a lasting place in history because it carried an explorer. Can you name the man each took on a voyage of discovery and also what the discovery was?

1. Santa Maria.
2. Columbia.
3. St. Peter.
4. Resolution.
5. Dolphin.
6. Half Moon.
7. Roebuck.
8. Macedonian.
9. The Star.
10. The Discovery.

This quiz was submitted by B. G. Newhoff, of Versailles, Kentucky.

Salesmen's Convention

At a recent salesmen's convention everybody let himself go. In each of the following the "line" of the salesman is discovered by rearranging the letters in the italicized words:

1. Dancy sang a song out of key.
2. Ed danced around clothed in plants, crying, "Be good to us herbs!"
3. Harry cried in a put-on voice, "Hast

thou some rain?"

4. Joe, imitating him, said, "Dareth thou ask that?"

5. "While Basil chats we move on," said Horace.

6. Boyd told of his experience driving G. I. cars.

7. Andy scolded, "Too much ado, sir."

8. Brian informed them they were on Onion St.

9. Miles showed his comic sets.

10. Rudolph grabbed a fellow salesman and boasted, "I arrest forger!"

This quiz was submitted by Helen Pettigrew, of Charleston, Arkansas.

The answers to these quizzes will be found in the next column.

Twice Told Tales

A surly farmer with a healthy appetite stepped into a hotel tearoom for some lunch and ordered a steak.

The waiter presently came back with a plate on which was a small portion of meat.

"Yeah," said the farmer. "That's the kind. Bring me some." —*Horn Blower, Loving, New Mexico.*

The elderly hillbilly was in for a medical checkup.

"Do you sleep o.k.?" the doctor asked.

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"Wal," the hillbilly drawled, "I sleep good nights, and I sleep good mornings, but afternoons I just seem to twist and turn." —*Rotary Bulletin, Ashland, Maine.*

Fog: Stuff that is dangerous to drive in—especially if it is mental.—*The Rotarian Chatterer, Hudson, Massachusetts.*

"See here, young feller," said the old justice of the peace, "I want you ta know yer can't commit perjury in this here court."

"But I didn't lie to you, sir," said the defendant.

"Yer did, too," cried the old JP. "You just this minute told me ya only had one brother, and yer sister here claims she's got two!" —*The Rotogram, Sandusky, Ohio.*

"How about giving me a diamond bracelet?" proposed the extravagant wife to her husband.

"My d—r," he patiently replied, "inexplicable circumstances preclude the eventuality of my endowing you with such an estimable bauble."

"I don't get it," she said.

"That's just what I mean," said he.—*Rotachat, Long Branch, New Jersey.*

Answers to Quizzes

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